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PACIFIC COAST.

The Appointment of the State Railroad Commissioners.

BLUSTERING WEATHER AT ASTORIA

A Fair Day at San Francisco Races—Wilkes against Harry's Record—Well the Tacoma Shooter, Out on Bail

FROM SALEM

Waggoner Gets the Commissionership—A New Dairy Commissioner.

SALEM, April 1.—George Waggoner, of Benton, was brought upon a telegram from Governor Pennoyer to be republican member of the railroad commission. Senator Slater, the democratic member, came up this morning, and the two newly appointed commissioners are now laying plans for future work. They will appoint their clerk shortly. Mr. Waggoner is a prominent farmer of Benton county and lives near Corvallis. He has not been an active politician, although a consistent republican. He was a member of the lower branch of the legislature in 1880. The duties of the commission are briefly as follows: They shall hold meetings for the transaction of business the first Monday in each month. They may inquire into the methods of the accounts and operation of the railroads. They must make a biennial report to the legislature, so as to disclose the actual workings of the system of freight and passenger rates and their bearing on the business prosperity and the policies of the different railroad companies. They shall report whether any railroad corporation has made any discrimination in rates for or against any person or persons, corporation, etc. They may recommend certain changes in the classification of freights. They may examine into the actual condition of any railroad corporation and see whether they comply with the laws regulating them. They have a right to examine the books of any railroad company. They have power to examine officers, employés, etc., of any company under oath. They may listen to complaints of abused freighters. They shall give notice to the common carrier to desist from discrimination in rates, and they shall duly enter complaints for such discrimination in any circuit court, and such court shall have power to issue an injunction restraining the common carrier from making discrimination in rates. They must investigate the condition of any railroad company and recommend repairs. They may investigate the cause of any railroad accident. They may require railroad companies to furnish any information desired. They may prescribe the form of the annual reports of railroad companies to the secretary of state required by law. Their report shall be transmitted to the secretary of state on or before the first Monday in January in each year. Any railroad company refusing information or [illegible] mission of books shall for each offense be fined not less than $100 nor more than $500. On failure of the commissioners to be agreed upon any point the governor shall make a third member and will hold the deciding vote. The compensation of the members shall be $2500 per year each, and of the clerk $2000 per year. They shall hold office for four years and their successors shall be appointed by the governor.

APPOINTMENT OF DAIRY COMMISSIONER.

At a late hour to-night Gov. Pennoyer appointed Albert Sunderland, of Portland, dairy commissioner, in place of W. W. Baker, who has served in that capacity for the past two years. Mr. Baker's term of office expired on the 26th of March.

SUPREME COURT REPORTS.

J. A. Stratton, late clerk of the supreme court, is engaged in preparing the copy of the Fourteenth Oregon reports of the decisions of the supreme court. The volume will make 650 or more printed pages. This report includes only the decisions of the late October term of the supreme court, which composed more pages than those of any previous term. The manuscript will be ready for the printer in about two weeks.

PERSONAL NOTES

Rev. M. L. Rugg, of the Baptist church of this city, who a month since tendered his resignation as pastor, and who was asked by them to reconsider his action, last night insisted that his resignation be accepted, which was regretfully done. Mr. Rugg has a call from East Portland, which he will probably not accept. He will either go to California or the East.

Frank E. Hodgkin, late assistant secretary of state, leaves to-morrow morning for Portland, where he will take the agency of the London & Lancashire Insurance company.

J. M. Adair, the operator of the Pacific Postal Telegraph company, has resigned. An operator from Roseburg to-day came down to take his place.

ASTORIA NEWS.

Rough Weather at the Bar

ASTORIA, April 1.—Heavy winds and squalls last night compelled all the shipping in the harbor to drop the second anchor. Some few fouled their anchor chains and dragged out of the channel, occasioning no damage, but lots of labor. Owing to the heavy gale and rough weather on the bar, no fishing boats ventured out on this, the first day of the salmon season. There will, however, be more April fishing this year than ever before, owing to the fact that many cannerymen have contracted to deliver to the extent of their utmost capacity, and those who have not contracted, in view of the demand and anticipated remunerative return and profit on their product, will strain every nerve to increase the output of former years. There seems to be no misunderstanding this year between cannerymen and fishermen, and it is a matter for general congratulation that the feeling of discontent and unrest which pervades this community during a fisherman's strike will be henceforth averted.

LIVELY TIMES IN THE BARBARY COAST

The police force say our Barbary Coast is doubling its population, as usual in the fishing season, with sharks and pimps who prey upon simpletons who fall into their clutches. It is said two more dancing and music halls are to be fitted up in addition to the many that Astoria could afford to be well rid of.

NOTES.

Word comes from Knappton that during last night's gale a scow belonging to a man named Tubbs was capsized in that neighborhood, and but for the opportune arrival of a fishing boat the three men composing her crew would have been drowned. The scow is said to have lost $800 worth of groceries and stock just laid in.

Antoni Nitti, a Greek fisherman, died of consumption at St. Mary's hospital to-day. He will be buried by the Columbia River Fishermen's Protective union.

The Adelaide Randall opera troupe will arrive here on the next steamer and will perform Tuesday next.

It is rumored that a fishing boat capsized off Devlin's cannery during the gale last night. One man was drowned, and another man and the boat is drifting off. It is thought to be only a rumor.

Carnahan & Co., merchants, have a pile driver working in the rear of their store. Their increasing business demands more room, and they intend to build a commodious warehouse and store.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY

RAUCH ACQUITTED—ARRIVAL OF IMMIGRANTS AT DAYTON

DAYTON, W. T., April 1.—John W. Rauch, ex-treasurer of Garfield county, was acquitted at Pomeroy yesterday by a jury on a charge of not handing over all the moneys in his possession to the county officials.

There has been some little rain for the last two days, which is a source of much bene[illegible] to the country.

Immigration has commenced in earnest. Every train fetches in newcomers. New buildings are being erected and a general thrift and business boom is plainly apparent.

WILL OUT ON BAIL.

TACOMA, April 1.—S. W. Wall had a preliminary examination before magistrate this morning and was held in $7000 to appear before the grand jury at the next sitting. N. J. Thompson, of the First National bank of Tacoma, and Leigh Hunt, of the *Post-Intelligencer*, signed his bonds. Mr. Wall was immediately released and re-arrested upon his counter as correspondent of the *Post-Intelligencer*.

LOS ANGELES SMALLPOX

A Statement to the War Department by an Army Officer

LOS ANGELES, April 1.—Some time ago a telegram was received here stating that the war department had received information that there were thousands of smallpox cases in this city. Naturally such a report, if uncontradicted, would lead many to suppose that the situation here is very serious, while in reality there is nothing to be feared from the disease. The war department telegraphed to army headquarters here for information on the subject, and a statement was forwarded to Washington as follows:

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF ARIZONA
LOS ANGELES March 31 1887

To the Medical Director of the War Department—Sir: In obedience to your verbal instructions I have the honor to submit the following statement in regard to the sanitary condition of this city. I have learned from the city health officer that there has been about fifty cases in all and but few of these were of a mild type. The deaths thus far are nine in number. During the last two weeks there has been no new cases among the white population at all, recent cases have been among the poorer classes of people, in the [illegible] to the colored and Mexican elements. Compulsory vaccination is being thoroughly carried out and every means taken to prevent the spread of the disease, which cannot in any sense be considered epidemic. Every effort is made to stamp out cases of the disease and when it is to attend the hospital considering that the disease has been present for a month in a city of about 50 000 people and but only fifty cases have been reported—in other words, one case per 1000 per month—the situation does not seem to be at all grave, and in my opinion there is no cause for alarm or any foundation for the sensational reports so freely circulated. There has been no cases among the officers, their families or any of the clerks or employés about these headquarters. Respectfully your obedient servant, LEONARD WOOD
1st Lt. 7th and Asst Surgeon U. S. A.

CALIFORNIA.

AN INTERNATIONAL CASE.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—In the case of Robt. Rogers and Thos. Henry Isaac vs. Hannah L. D. Meyer, administrator of the estate of Marion Meyer, deceased, Judge Wallace has rendered the following important decision. He holds that a California wife visiting England has the same power while in that country over her separate property as she had at home, and that English laws cannot deprive her of it that the capital stock of a California corporation cannot be transferred by compliance with the laws of foreign countries but only by pursuing the methods prescribed by the laws of California. Defendant Herman L. E. Meyer is administrator of the estate, appointed pursuant to the laws of the state of California, and as such administrator claims custody of the property of decedent, that it may be distributed according to the laws of England. If distribution be made according to the laws of this state, the surviving husband of decedent would become entitled to one-half thereof, and her mother to the other half, while should distribution occur pursuant to settlement and English law, the husband of decedent would be excluded altogether, and the whole would go to her mother, as being her next of kin. The estate in question consists of stock of the Spring Valley Water company, which was the property of decedent. In the year 1871, decedent and her husband, at the time sojourning in England, united in the execution of a deed of settlement prepared in that country, by the terms of which settlement the husband covenanted for himself and for her, as well as that these (her shares of stock then in her possession) should be forthwith transferred to plaintiff here, Robert Rogers and Thomas Henry Isaac being nominated in the settlement to be trustees for her benefit. As, under the laws of England, she was incapable of dealing with it directly, for herself in her own name, the court holds that plaintiffs had no claim to custody of the stock, and that it must be delivered to the defendant as administrator of the estate of decedent.

BAY DISTRICT RACES

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—The horses that are in to-morrow's programme were all worked to-day in slow mites, the fastest time made being 2.25. Harry Wilkes is in the finest condition and Frank Van Ness, his driver, is confident that Wilkes will beat his record of 2.18½. It is the general opinion among horsemen that Harry can beat 2.14 with ease. Horses in the purse for $1000 are all in good form. The betting as yet has been private on the purse race, while on Harry Wilkes vs. time the speculation has been brisk, the horse being a slight favorite. The track is in the best of condition. The only thing remaining to secure a successful trial is the weather, and if it be fine to-morrow there is no doubt but what one of the largest and most fashionable concourses of people that ever gathered at a horse race in this city will assemble at the Bay District track.

HOTEL AT SANTA ROSA BURNED.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., April 1.—Fire was discovered about 1 o'clock this morning in the Santa Rosa house, one of the oldest hotels in the state. The place was in a short time completely destroyed, loss, $5000, insurance, $2000. It is the general opinion that the fire was the work of incendiaries, as at about 11 o'clock last night fire was discovered and extinguished in the washroom the walls of which were saturated with coal oil. A bundle of rags was found in the room also saturated with oil. Two months ago an attempt was made to burn the hotel, but the fire was extinguished before damage was done.

A SWINDLING FIRM.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—Default judgment has been entered in the superior court in favor of the Emerson and Fersher Agricultural Implement company, of Cincinnati, against the firm of Marshall & Co., until recently agricultural implement dealers in this city. In the course of the legal proceedings it was developed that Marshall & Co. had conducted a branch business in Texas, Pennsylvania and New York and decamped to Canada with $200,000 of the creditor's money. The firm name in the East was Edmiston, Waddell & Co. They also succeeded in getting $85,000 from banks in San Francisco on worthless notes.

THE FREIGHT RUSH TO SAN FRANCISCO.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—The interstate commerce act goes into effect on Tuesday and east and west roads are blocked with freight in anticipation of the raise in the tariff already announced. The Southern Pacific have had a freight blockade at Townsend street for two days and every car on their road is in use. The main object is to get goods started before the fifteenth April, though it is doubtful if goods accepted by companies before that date, even if not started, would come under the operations of the act.

RAILROAD SURVEYS TO BE MADE.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—From the present terminus of the California & Oregon railroad it is reported that the Southern Pacific company will probably run two lines of survey for a railroad into Eastern Oregon—one from Cowley, up Klamath river in the direction of Linkville, and another from Ingewood, in order to ascertain the cheapest route. After the surveys are made and a route chosen, men at work on the main line to Portland will be transferred to the Eastern Oregon line.

SUPPOSED MURDERER ARRESTED

REDWOOD, April 1.—A man believed to be Pathaday, for whose arrest a reward is offered in Cleveland, for the robbery of Benedict & Ruedy's fur store, and who is also suspected of being implicated in the murder of a policeman, was arrested to-day while intoxicated. A quantity of burglars tools were found on his person.

NEW BATT SHEET

SAN FRANCISCO April 1.—A new rate sheet will be issued by the passenger department of the Southern Pacific April 1. Mr. Donaldson, assistant general passenger and ticket agent, said: "Changes from present rates, generally speaking, will be very slight."

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—Cleared: Ship Ferdinand Fisher, Nanaimo; Sailed: Steamer Empire, Nanaimo; steamer G. W. Elder, Victoria; ship Clarence S. Bertent, Port Townsend; bark C. O. Whitmore, Nanaimo.

DEATH OF DR. KELLOGG

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—Dr. Albert Kellogg, a well known scientist, died yesterday in Alameda, at the age of 74. He was one of the foremost botanists on this coast.

A household journal, which slings "home hints" around promiscuously, says that "the yellow tint of flannel will disappear if it is left out doors on a cold night." Perhaps so. In some localities the flannel will also disappear.—Norristown Herald.

THE EAST.

More about the Sensational Kissane Case.

PAST WEEK'S BUSINESS REVIEW

Chicago Democrats Still without a Candidate for Mayor, and Stirring Letters from Local Politicians—St. Stephen's Church Trouble.

THE KISSANE MYSTERY

Further Details of the Sensational Affair from New York and San Francisco.

NEW YORK, April 1.—Recorder Smith in the [illegible] case [illegible] entered on the motion of District Attorney Hart, of San Francisco, to have a [illegible] entered on an indictment for forgery on file in the district attorney's office against William Kissane, now a wealthy and influential citizen of San Diego. The indictment was for the forgery of a check for $12,000 in 1883, against the Chemical bank of this city. Counsel for defendant appeared for the bank and opposed the motion. He said Kissane had not made any restitution to the bank for the money thus obtained in a criminal manner, although it appeared that he was well able to do. Lawyer Jones submitted an affidavit made by the cashier of the bank, which set forth that the bank had suffered a loss of $12,000 by Kissane's forgery. District Attorney Hart was present, and favored dismissing the indictment, considering the length of time elapsed, and that Kissane had reformed, and was leading an honest life. Everything considered, he was not disposed to call the case or that at this late day. Recorder Smith was not so willing to dismiss the matter. He said that there was no evidence that Lawyer Jones was acting with Kissane's consent, and he thought that he would require assurances on this point before taking action. A telegram from the prosecutor in the case would be sufficient. The parties then left the court room.

A CALIFORNIA REPORT.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—The case of Wm. Kissane, which is surrounded with so much mystery and which was heard to-day in New York, before Recorder Smith, has attracted intense attention in California. This is due to the fact that Kissane is said and is now known to be one of the most prominent and wealthy citizens of California and connected by intermarriage with many leading families in this city. Many statements have been made by the press of San Francisco to get at the actual facts in the case, and unearth the identity of this mysterious individual. The immediate notoriety of the case is due to a motion made by counsel for J. B. Hart, of this city, to have a *nolle prosequi* entered on an indictment for forgery on file in the district attorney's office against this man Wm. Kissane. The indictment was for the forgery of a check for $12,000 in 1883 on the Chemical bank of New York. A gentleman of this city, who knows Kissane well and who knew him in the east, and who has been a severe sufferer by Kissane, gave to an associated press reporter a full story of Kissane's career, suppressing only the name he is known by in California. It may be said here that Kissane is one of the most prominent and wealthy residents of Sonoma county, that his half-brother is a prominent attorney of this city, and his connections by marriage are all leading society people. The statement of this gentlemen is as follows: It is believed that the statements made through Jessie B. Hart in New York, telegraphed here, have revealed the identity of Kissane and may probably lead to a complete disclosure of his criminal practices in the past. It is well known to certain parties that Kissane has been guilty of felony since he arrived in California. He is unrepentant, and seeks only the removal of legal disabilities and penalties for his past crimes. He is still under indictment for forgery in New York City, and for murder in Arkansas resulting in great loss of life.

BY BURNING THE STEAMER

Martha Washington bound from Cincinnati to New Orleans and to Helena, Arkansas, on the night of January 14, 1882. He was under indictment in January, 1883, together and with some others, and placed on trial for conspiracy and defrauding insurance companies by fictitious cargoes said to be burned on the steamer Martha Washington. He was convicted on three occasions in Cincinnati on these charges, but each time managed to evade the law. After this he was arrested for murder, and taken to Helena, Arkansas, but owing to the lack of county funds and the neglect of congress to provide for his prosecution, he again escaped the clutches of the law. A request was made by Hon. James Guthrie for an appropriation, but it could not be procured. Kissane in the meantime jumped his bail, and the next heard of him were his forgeries on the Chemical bank, New York, in August, 1884, for which he was arrested, convicted and sentenced to Sing Sing prison, N. Y. Among his effects, which were found at the time of his arrest, were some notes of $500 denomination on the Chemical bank, New York. He was brought to New York handcuffed and locked to the wrist of an officer. The key to the handcuffs was lodged safely in the pocket of a Chemical bank teller, who still tries to probably assist in the last chapter of Kissane's criminal career. While in Sing Sing he offered to make a full confession of the Martha Washington steamboat conspiracy, and to confirm the same on the witness stand so as to assist the insurance company in resisting the fraudulent suits brought against them for fictitious cargoes. The authorities concluded his testimony would be unreliable and useless for that purpose, as he might not volunarily give testimony if he served a full time. For this reason he was liberated, and thereafter made

A FULL CONFESSION

Of the Martha Washington steamer conspiracy, the burning of the boat and the efforts to secure the insurance. The confession occupied about one hundred pages of foolscap. His gang, one of the most complete organizations ever known in the country scattered in consternation when the fact of the confession was made known. Kissane himself violated his promise to the insurance companies and fled to Nicaragua, where under an assumed name it was reported he had been shot. His career in California under another assumed name is well known, and all his connections, business, social and marriage, are equally well known, he having acquired enormous wealth. His reckless attempt to quash the indictment in New York will bring upon himself and immediate friends, many of whom are ignorant of his past history, the most unpleasant consequences. Gen. Barr, of this city, who is perfectly familiar with Kissane's career, stated also to-night that on his first seeing Kissane in this state some two years ago he immediately identified him, but that out of consideration for Kissane's family and connections he had persistently refused to make any statement in regard to him, hoping he would make restitution to those he had injured.

WHOLESALE INDICTMENT OF BOODLERS AT CHICAGO

CHICAGO, April 1.—Judge Anthony arrived at the door of his courtroom this morning and could hardly crowd his way in, on account of the density of the throng of indicted boodlers present for the purpose of giving bail, and their friends, who came early to help them. Sheriff Matson followed the judge with a full list of the indicted. It is as follows: George C. Hehm, Michael Wasserman, Michael Leyden, J. J. McCarthy, William J. McGarigle, P. S. McLaughley, Henry Varnell, Ben Wren, Adam Ochs, E. M. Oliver, Christian Gerke, Christian Casselman, Ed Phillips, J. S. Hunnigan, J. Van Pelt, J. E. Carpenter, Michael Costello, H. L. Holland, August Busse, Napoleon Burealeaux, Philip Kelly, Patrick Buckley. In the case of Mike Wasserman, ex-commissioner, who was indicted on a charge of bribery and a charge of conspiracy, bail was fixed at $15,000 for three charges. Bonds were given by the other commissioners. Bonds of ex-commissioners on the list were filed in amounts varying from $5000 to $7000. The latter sum was in the case of Buck McCarthy, whose indictment contains five counts for bribery and conspiracy. Beside the commissioners and ex-commissioners and county officials indicted, the list includes nine contractors and dealers in furniture supplies, etc. At 2 this afternoon most of them had secured bail.

REVIEW OF THE NATION'S BUSINESS.

Unfavorable Weather Interferes with Trade—The Spring Outlook.

NEW YORK, April 1.—R. G. Dun & Co., in their *Weekly Trade Review*, say: With snow three inches deep in Virginia, the roads in many sections almost impassable, and the Canada railroads blocked by drifts, the distribution of products is difficult, notwithstanding the extraordinary demand to anticipate the March rent and a change of stores. As it is, goods and coal and shoe dealers complain that from the regions turned in snow small orders come, and if deep and long and bad roads in many states arrest business.

From the past month has been remarkably good, but only at New York and Boston, but these cities report a phenomenal record, and other cities will. Great business has been in an unusually forward condition to come, it is scarcely possible that a not worthy unseasonable retardation could not be felt. Opinions grow that if the state acts will help railroads rather than cannot.

While there was over 1 cent, with sales of 45,000,000 bushels for the week, exports continuing heavy, corn, oats, oil and pork products, and sugar and tea, have scarcely changed with moderate dealings. Coffee has advanced ¼. Cotton and wool are weaker. Cotton has declined, with sales of 10 85...206 bales at New York, 10 cents. Print cloths are barely 3 cents, with only 1 000 pieces in sight, against 1 000 000 pieces two years ago. Iron is lower at Philadelphia and Pittsburg. The collapse of the coal combination and the higher and fixed rates for transportation could not encourage consumers. Whether bank clearings outside of New York, rising 19 per cent. above last years, indicate more than temporary activity, we cannot y

WASHINGTON.

Plans Submitted for an Armored Cruiser and Battleship.

Important Information Relative to Oleomargarine—Congratulating the New Treasury Officers—Manning in Very Poor Health.

OLEOMARGARINE.

Some Important Information Relative to this Subject.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The popular notions with respect to the extent of the practice of butter adulteration before the oleomargarine law went into effect will not be sustained by the forthcoming report by Prof. Wiley, of the chemist department of agriculture, on this subject. Prof. Wiley's experiments have been progressing more than a year. The materials for investigation were purchased in open market in all parts of the country, no information being given in any case of the purpose for which the purchase was intended. In not more than one-third of the cases did the purchase prove to be adulteration, except when something else than butter was asked for, and fraudulent articles were those secured when low-priced materials were called for. In no case was it found that an article sold in the market as butterine was entirely fraudulent. The adulterated article usually contained between 30 and 40 per cent. of butter, the rest most commonly consisting of beef-fat, lard and cotton-seed oil. Prof. Wiley devotes some space to the consideration of the opinions of scientific men with regard to the wholesomeness of oleomargarine and kindred compounds. He finds that about nine out of every ten of the scientists who have expressed themselves declare the belief that oleomargarine is unobjectionable and wholesome. The larger and more important part of this report is devoted to the analysis of dairy products and their substitutes and the methods determining adulterations. The chemists' opportunity for investigation are greater than have ever before been recorded, and the result is a treatise which covers every detail of this important subject. The conclusion is reached that a microscope is a much more useful instrument in this direction than European chemists have ever been willing to admit, and in fact an invaluable adjunct to the chemical laboratory for this particular work. The chemical methods of analysis are, however, no less to be thoroughly trented, and a few simple means for popular use are pointed out. The artificial coloring substances are discussed and those which are harmless are described. This report is to form part No. 1 of department bulletin No. 13. Part 2 will be Mr. Richardson's report on spices. The adulteration of baking powders, beer, wines and ciders, flour, rice and other cereal productions, and tea, coffee and cocoa, and articles of that description will form subjects of other parts of the bulletin.

NAVY IMPROVEMENTS.

Plans for an Armored Cruiser and Powerful Battleship.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—At noon to-day plans were opened at the office of the secretary of the navy for an armored cruiser and powerful battleship under the authority conferred by the act of August 3, 1886. Advertisements have been published by the department in American and European newspapers since August last, inviting the submission of plans for these vessels. The designers were required to submit detailed statements, of weight of hulls, engines and armament, and the fullest particulars concerning the weight, power and economy of the engines, boilers and screws, and the torpedo apparatus, rigging displacement and other points. In case the plan is accepted the designer is required to make any changes free of charge, and the department agrees to pay $15,000 for the design of each vessel which may be selected from the plans submitted. The general requirements of the department for armored cruisers are that its hull have a double bottom of steel, a ram bow and steel armored deck covering, the machinery two-thirds full sail power and a battery composed of four ten-inch and six six-inch rifles and machine guns. The battlements are to be composed of two twelve-inch and six six-inch guns and secondary battery. Plans were submitted by the following firms and persons: Barrow Shipbuilding company of England, two designs; the Thames Iron Shipbuilding company of England, two designs and two half models; bureau of construction, navy department, two designs and a model; Grandjean of France, design for armored cruiser; W. I. Chambers, U. S. navy, design for armored cruiser; Charles L. Norton of New York, design for armored battleship; Capt. L. N. Towns of New York, design for cruiser; Naval Constructor Cook, design for armored cruiser. These designs will be submitted to the board appointed by Secretary Whitney to make a selection of the vessels best adapted for the American navy.

WASHINGTON NEWS ITEMS.

CONGRATULATING THE NEW OFFICERS.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The treasury department presented an unusual spectacle this afternoon. The appointments of Secretary Fairchild and Assistant Secretary Maynard caused great rejoicing among the employes, and they expressed a universal desire to be allowed to extend their congratulations in person. Apparently no promotions were ever made in the department that met with such general favor among the employes. The two officials therefore, consented to receive each of the employes as desired to pay their respects, after the close of business. Word to that effect was sent through the building, and by 3 o'clock a large crowd had congregated in the corridor opening into the secretary's office. Mr. Fairchild was visited first and then Mr. Maynard, the crowd coming in a stream from Mr. Fairchild's office to the rooms of Mr. Maynard. Clerks of all grades, watchmen, laborers and chore women, came in crowds and shook hands with the newly appointed officers.

Mr. Fairchild at once entered upon the discharge of his new duties and he was sworn in at 11 o'clock by a notary public employed in the secretary's office, and took possession of the office and desk formerly occupied by ex-Sec. Manning. Many of the clerks of the department waited upon him early and extended congratulations. He received a profusion of flowers and congratulatory telegrams from all parts of the country. The majority of the telegrams were from banks and business men. Judge Maynard will not qualify as assistant secretary before Monday, as he desires to dispose of some business now pending in the second comptroller's office. In accepting his new office he will suffer a loss of $700 a year in his salary. He makes the change at the personal solicitation of the president and Secretary Fairchild, with the latter of whom he enjoys the closest possible relations.

PRODUCTION OF LEAD AND ZINC.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—C. Kirchoff, Jr., agent for a division of the mining statistics of the U. S. geological survey, has prepared a preliminary statement of the production of lead and zinc for 1886, from which it appears that 111,822 short tons of desilverized lead, and 250 short tons of non-argentiferous lead were produced. A considerable increase is expected during the current year. The production of spelter is as follows, the unit being the short ton of 2000 pounds: Illinois 21,077, Kansas 8032, Missouri 8570, Eastern and Southern states 670; total, 42,-349. Reports indicate preparation for further increase in products the current year.

APPOINTMENTS—PENSIONS.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—Henry B. Billings, of Idaho territory, has been appointed register of the land office at Hailey, Idaho territory, instead of receiver of the land office at that place as originally stated.

The pension office to-day issued 1000 pension certificates. This is estimated to be the largest number ever issued in one day by one bureau.

The interstate commerce commission have made a request for a temporary clerical assignment, and the secretary of the interior to-day detailed Major H. St. Jones, of his office, for that duty.

A LAND DECISION.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—In the ex parte case of Todd Kneeland, on appeal from the Mexican commission of the general land office, sustaining the decision of the local land office at Lamar, Col., Acting Secretary Muldrow holds that a qualified pre-emptor who has a deeded right of filing and perfecting an entry on the Osage trust and diminished reserved lands in Kansas, under the act of May 28, 1880, has exhausted his right to all other lands. This conforms with all prev ous decisions.

SUB USE IN CASE OF WAR.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—Some time ago the Seawanahaka Yacht club, of New York, made a request to the navy department that a naval officer be detailed to visit New York for the purpose of giving the club practical instructions in the arrangements of its vessels, with a view to increasing its proficiency to such a point that the fleet may be relied on as a naval reserve. In compliance with this request Commander McCalla has been detailed to this duty.

MANNING'S HEALTH.

NEW YORK, April 1.—A Washington special to the *Post* says: A gentleman in this city, who has had special reason to interest himself in Secretary Manning's health, has received personal advices from England confirming the worst reports yet published. His informant asserts that the ex-secretary was not only not improved by his voyage but is decidedly worse to-day than he was before he sailed, worse even than when he landed in England. His friends have little hope of his recovery.

LAND CLAIM REJECTION.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The commissioner of the general land office has approved and sent to the secretary of the interior for transmission to congress a supplemental report from the surveyor-general of New Mexico holding for rejection the private land claim known as the Ignacio Chaves grant, No. 95, for 213,000 acres, on the ground that no legal or equitable right had been shown by the claimants.

APPOINTMENT OF A JUDGE.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The president to-day appointed Martin V. Montgomery, of Michigan, to be associate justice of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, to succeed Justice MacArthur, retired.

THE COMMISSIONS SIGNED.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The president to-day signed the commissions of Charles S. Fairchild as secretary of the treasury, and Isaac H. Maynard as assistant secretary of the treasury.

MINT COINAGE.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The coinage of mints during the month of March was $5,195,905, of which $3,040,390 was in standard silver dollars.

EASTERN NEWS ITEMS.

EARTHQUAKE IN INDIANA.

CHICAGO, April 1.—The *Times'* Evansville, Indiana, special says: Intelligence was received in this city of volcanic disturbances and eruptions on Blood river, near New Concord, Calloway county, Ky., yesterday, which frightened the inhabitants out of their wits. Tuesday afternoon all wells in the neighborhood were found to be dry. The same night strange rumbling noises were heard in the earth similar to those preceding an earthquake shock. About 10 o'clock an explosion was heard in the direct on of Stiger's bluff, two miles from New Concord. A column of fire was seen to shoot up towards the heavens to a hight of at least 150 feet. Explosions continued at intervals through the night, and columns of fire still continue to shoot upwards. Some of the more courageous citizens have made a visit to the bluff, but the heat is so intense that they cannot get within a quarter of a mile of it; but red hot ashes seem to be flowing down the west side of the bluff. When our informant left a remarkable eruption was still in progress, and a majority of the people were perfectly will with terror. The scene of the phenomenon is in one of the wildest and most rugged parts of the state. Mayfield, twenty-five miles distant, is the nearest railroad station, and efforts to reach that point by telegraph have been unsuccessful.

IRON AND STEEL WORKERS.

PITTSBURGH, April 1.—The lodges of the Amalgamated Iron Association and Steel Workers throughout the country will elect delegates during the coming month for the annual convention in this city on June 7. There is a large amount of business on hand already and it is believed they will be in session about two weeks. The most important work to be done will be to make a scale of wages for the ensuing year and the advisability of further strengthening the organization by taking in men under classification. Also that all skilled mill labor will have representation. It is said that the admission of pipe mill workmen and steel makers will be strongly advocated, and if they are taken in it will increase the membership of the association to 125,000 men. In regard to the new scale of wages nothing is known. A number of delegates already chosen favor a scale based on three different grades of iron, instead of on bars, as at present.

JAY GOULD'S PURCHASE.

ST. LOUIS, April 1.—A dispatch from Fort Smith, Ark., says: The Little Rock and Fort Smith railway passes into the hands of Jay Gould to-day and active work on the extensions of the line is to begin at once. The road is to be extended from Van Buren to Fort Gibson in the Cherokee nation, and four miles of track is now laid from the first mentioned place. The Arkansas river will be crossed opposite this city by a cantilever bridge, which is to be constructed at once. The road is also to be constructed from Fort Smith to Shreveport, La., where it will connect with the New Orleans and Texas Pacific. Work on this line is to begin within six days.

REFUSE TO PUBLISH TIME TABLES.

CINCINNATI, April 1.—Cincinnati newspapers appear to-day without the customary column giving the time of the arrival and departure of trains. This is in accordance with the proposition made by the newspapers jointly in view of the stoppage of passes to stop the free publication of matter for the benefit of roads, but to accept the usual compensation for advertising. Railroads replied accepting the proposition for advertisements which they should order, and intimating the daily publication of time tables should not be regarded as an advertisement.

CONDITION OF CATTLE.

ST. LOUIS, April 1.—A dispatch from Fort Worth, Texas, says: Col. C. P. Cunningham, agent of the bureau of animal industry, who recently visited the southwest, Kansas, New Mexico and Colorado, reports the cattle on the ranches of New Mexico, Indian territory and Colorado have come through the winter in excellent shape and but slight losses. There will be united action among the state, territory and national sanitary boards to prevent contagious pleuro-pneumonia crossing the Mississippi river.

HERR MOST GOES BACK TO HIS DENS.

NEW YORK, April 1.—Herr Most, the anarchist, was released from the penitentiary on Blackwell's is and early this morning. On his landing at East Fifty-second street he was greeted by a young woman and a number of his sympathizers. The big crowd was on the river bank and followed Most and his friends to Second avenue, where they ensconced themselves in a beer saloon.

INGERSOLL WON'T SWEAR.

NEW YORK, April 1.—Col. Robert G. Ingersoll was admitted to practice at the bar in this state to-day before the general term of the supreme court. When he was asked to be sworn, he refused, and affirmed in place.

ENGLAND.

LONDON, April 1.—In the house of commons to-night W. H. Smith, first lord of the treasury, suggested that the Irish crimes bill be read the first time to-night a second reading could be taken up Tuesday. Then there will be an interval of a week between the second reading and going into committee. It was the imperative duty of the government to insist on the house coming to an early decision on the bill. Referring to the land bill, he said it was of vital importance that the government use every effort to make the measure a law.

In the house of commons to-night the cloture was carried by a vote of 351 to 258, and the first reading of the coercion bill was acted upon without division.

A BILL TO RELIEVE IRELAND.

LONDON, April 1.—The *News* says the land bill introduced by Lord Cadogan in the house of lords yesterday evening convicts the ministry of the grossest inconsistency, and entirely justifies Parnell's action during the last autumn's session of parliament. The net thing that remains a reader of Lord Cadogan's speech is that, inadequate as the bill may be, it entirely dispenses with the necessity for coercion, or, rather, it would if the necessity existed. Balfour argues that an illegal combination prevents tenants in Ireland from paying their rents. Lord Cadogan formally admits that tenants are evicted for not paying illegal rents.

THE IRISH CRIMES ACT.

LONDON, April 1.—The whips of both parties in the house of commons are doing their utmost to secure a full attendance on the last session. It is not known positively whether Parnell will move the amendment of which he has given notice. Gladstone and the liberals will meet the government's motion for a second reading of the Irish crimes act amendment bill with a hostile amendment. The form which this shall take has not yet been decided upon.

HONORING THE QUEEN.

LONDON, April 1.—The queen arrived at Cannes to-day. Her majesty drove from the railway station to the Villa Eldeweiss in an open carriage without riders, escorted by a guard of honor, a force of mounted gendarmes and the Cannes fire brigade. The houses along the route were decorated with flags, and the people that filled the streets enthusiastically cheered her majesty. The French Mediterranean squadron, which has been ordered to Cannes, sailed with the Queen on board.

LONDON RACES.

LONDON, April 1.—The Lester spring meeting began to-day. The stakes of 1000 sovereigns, five furlongs, for three-year-olds, was won by Craven's colt Barley Thorpe, Baron de Rothschild's fly by Robert the Devil second, Abington's colt Juggler third. No other starters.

THE DAUNTLESS GOING TO NORWAY.

QUEENSTOWN, April 1.—The Dauntless has sailed for Southampton, where she will be overhauled prior to going on a cruise to the coast of Norway. She will afterwards visit the Azores and then return.

A Quick Recovery.

It gives us great pleasure to state that the merchant who was reported being at the point of death from an attack of Pneumonia, has entirely recovered by the use of Dr. WM. HALL'S BALSAM FOR THE LUNGS. Naturally he feels grateful for the benefits derived from using this remedy for that lungs and throat; and in giving publicity to this statement we are actuated by motives of public benefaction, trusting that others may be benefited in a similar manner.

A DOUBTER.

A Man who Thinks a Big Hotel Wouldn't Pay.

He Thinks the Civilization of Oregon too Low—Some Painful Actual Experiences of a Hotel Keeper.

From time to time during the past ten years the proposition to build a first-class hotel in Portland has been agitated both by press and public. That such an institution is among the "long felt wants" of this community in a general way, and of the traveling public in particular, seems an almost self-evident fact. That Portland has never enjoyed the luxury of a first-class hotel, in an Eastern and purely metropolitan sense, is equally true. When the project of constructing such a building was begun five years or more ago by Mr. Henry Villard, then in the full flush of his financial strength, everybody thought and everybody confidently hoped that a first-class caravansary was a thing of the immediate future. How the enterprise resulted in lamentable failure, and how the project was abandoned for a lack of funds, is a thrice-told tale, which has long vexed the dull ears of the public.

The main stones which mark these temporarily deserted ruins speak more eloquently of the fall of Mr. Villard, of the disaster which attended his fortunes as a railroad manager and financial diplomist, and of his seemingly short-sighted policy than any written or spoken words can convey. Before the commencement of the structure, during the brief time work was in progress, and since the abandonment of the enterprise, there are many doubting Thomases, who incredulously shake the head and express unbelief in the contentious question: "Can such an institution as a first-class hotel be made to pay in Portland?" Many shrewd business men, who have given the subject much thought and attention, declare that such an enterprise can be made self-sustaining from the start and ultimately developed into a profitable investment of capital. Like nearly every other enterprise of magnitude requiring and involving the outlay of a large amount of capital, the project of building and maintaining a very superior hotel with every appointment of comfort, elegance and luxury must, to a large extent, prove experimental and problematical.

A DOUBTER.

Of the feasibility of such an enterprise Portland has one profound unbeliever. He is a gentleman who has had many years of experience in the business of hotel keeping, and as he speaks from long personal, practical experience, his views and opinions are entitled to respect and consideration. Yesterday an OREGONIAN reporter in making his usual rounds came across the gentleman in question. Naturally the topic of conversation drifted into the subject of hotel business.

"What is your idea in regard to the project of a first-class hotel being made a paying investment? Do you think that such an establishment can be maintained?" innocently inquired the reporter.

"Just let me give you my views on the subject of keeping a hotel," answered the gentleman, "as well as some of my own very painful experience in this city. In the first place," said the suave host, pointing to a vacant chair for the reporter to occupy, seating himself, throwing back his head and gazing at the ceiling in a reflecting way, "in the firs place allow me to say, my dear sir, that the people of this state, the people which we hotel keepers have to deal with, are very peculiar. What we would call a first-class hotel, is a very different place from what they consider hotel accommodations should afford. Over the actions of the most of such guests they appear to regard it merely as a place to stop; a place to simply feed and sleep. Oregon is a splendid state; possesses unlimited possibilities in the future, and is of boundless resources. That it is destined to become one of the most wealthy and populous states of the Union, I have no doubt in the world. Portland is bound to become a large and rich city. But while these facts are indisputable, they pertain more to the future than to the present. What we have to grapple with is the present condition of affairs. Now, a first-class hotel is certainly a very useful and desirable acquisition to this city. If such an establishment could be successfully maintained, it would be a good thing. All must admit that the traveling public who appreciate comforts and elegances, would cheerfully and unanimously rise up and call such a hotel most blessed.

"Frankly, I must say," continued the gentlemanly boniface, shifting around so as to screen his eyes from the sun, "that I am a disbeliever in the practicability of such a scheme, at least for the present. I do not believe anyone can support an establishment of that kind, unless he has a bank at his back. Before you provide for the supply you must create the demand. You must have the hearty sympathy and co-operation of the public, or you can never hope to succeed. In other words, you must, in this country, create the taste; you must educate the people up to the standard of what constitutes comfort and refinement. When a person comes to a hotel it is not merely to eat and sleep. There are certain observances of propriety and decency to conform to. I have said the people who come from the interior are peculiar; that is, perhaps," said the host musingly, "a very mild word to employ. Rustic, or boorish would more clearly define the idea I wish to convey. Upon my soul," continued he, warming up, "they seem to belong to the generations of the past; they appear to have remained stationary while the world has moved steadily forward. They remind one of the pioneer days of 1849 and 1850; of the rustic simplicity of backwoods life. We want the infusion of new blood, better blood, I may add. Until that is done, until we create the public taste, to make a first-class hotel pay is out of the question, in my opinion. Still, I may be in error on that point.

THE TOURIST SEASON.

"For probably three months out of the year there are a good many people who visit Portland. Generally they are tourists, sightseers, persons who travel for pleasure. They are here to-day and gone to-morrow. This class desire all the comforts and luxuries of modern hotel life and are willing to walk into the office, look the proprietor in the face and pay for it like gentlemen. There is another class—those who travel on business—and still another—those in quest of health and looking for a suitable climate. All these would patronize a superior establishment. But what would a hotel-keeper do for the other nine months of the year? Nothing but a strong cash pany or a stiff bank account would tide over an unfailable losses. No one man, I tell you, could stand it. One swallow does not make a summer, and one hotel will not constitute a city.

"We must have some other attractions besides a good hotel, although I confess that it is one potent inducement to travelers. There must be a fine climate, and that we do not possess more than six months out of the year; we must have places of amusement to visit—theaters, gardens, resorts; then we must have splendid drives. Can we boast of possessing all these advantages now? Yet in spite of the glass of people who want the best accommodations, and who are able and willing to support the luxuries, all these combined attractions are requisite. I fear we will have to wait for time to bring these necessary changes. Meantime, we must not neglect to improve our opportunities to create a taste, and educate the public. Portland should cater to the wishes, the whims and the pleasures of those who come in quest of attractions. Paris, in that respect, is the most popular city in the world. Millions of dollars are annually paid out by travelers to the hotels, the stores, the restaurants, the theaters, the public resorts and the shop-keepers of the gay and voluptuous French capital. In a limited way, Portland must emulate the example of Paris. As I said at the outset, there must be earnest, hearty sympathy and co-operation. 'Let me say right here,' said the urbane host, springing from his seat and pacing restlessly up and down the room, 'that when we have the desire and for a first class caravansary in Portland, we shall have one, and not before."

SOME EXPERIENCES.

"Awhile ago I mentioned the rusticity of the guests who visit hotels. Why, sir, I could spend hours, actually hours, in relating some of my own personal experiences in that line. You would hardly believe it, but I speak from experience," and as the gentleman resumed his seat he sighed audibly and his voice sank to a low and pathetic key. "I only mention these circumstances, however, to illustrate my theory; to indicate some of the many obstacles to be encountered in conducting the business. It will show you what spiritual and human crosses we hotel men are compelled to daily bear, and will serve to demonstrate the impracticability of this 'first class hotel' project which has been so long and persistently agitated. Guests come into the hotel and seem to think that there are no rights which they are in duty or decency bound to respect. They act, think and speak as if you are the proprietor of a charitable institution.

"A man, for example, will walk in with a swagger, go up to the desk, write his autograph with a grand flourish, as if he owned a principality. He asks for a room; oh yes, he wants the very best room you have in your house; he wants to walk over busy ilrooms carpet with his dusty No. 11 brogans; he wishes elegant, easy chairs to sit upon; a genuine Turkish ottoman on which to recline his weary frame, and the cleanest and most inviting bed; he wants fire, if it is cold, ice lemonade if it is hot; a boy to answer his frequent bells, and the porter to obsequiously obey his every beck and call. That is all right. Now, what is he willing to pay for all these accommodations? With the ill-concealed insolence of a retired banker, he asks the price for the room. You inform him with your blandest smile, and most complaisant obeisance, that it will only be $1 per day. "Now, what do you suppose that airy chap does," exclaimed our placid host with the sardonic smile fading from his face; "yes, what does he do? He is simply indignant; he says, 'Sir I will pay you half a dollar a day, and not a cent more! If the terms are not satisfactory to you, I shall leave your hotel immediately.' I attempt to explain, I feebly remonstrate, I endeavor to palliate my enormous offense. No, sir, our walks my chivalrous guest with an insulted air, muttering between his teeth about paying first-class prices for second-class accommodations. What can I do? He goes away to some other place abusing me for a Shylock."

"Others come in from the country, register their names, and take a room. They are disposed to be very economical; are determined to live according to the 'European plan'—room in a hotel and board out at some cheap eating-place. Meal-time comes and they ask for your restaurant. You meekly direct them to that useful branch of the establishment. They answer with a great bustle, and take a seat at the table. Around comes the urbane waiter with the *menu*. They grasp it with the 'ferocity of famine,' as Dickens says in some of his novels. One or two glances suffice. My God!" exclaimed the excited host, hoking aloft both hands and assuming a sort of Brutus and Virginius attitude, "they look and see the price! 'Is this what you propose to charge respectable people for eating in this shop?' they all exclaim in one breath; 'well, we'll just not pay it, that's all; we are willing to give what is right, but submit to such extortion—never: stand aside, you distributor of hash! Where are our hats? We leave this restaurant, where they want to rob us, and go where we can get something to eat without being imposed upon. They must suppose we are some members of the Rothschild family traveling in disguise.' Well, away they go, abusing the house and the proprietor, despite his efforts to placate, to explain and to soothe. They glare at him as if he were a horse thief, as they pass out. "By —," said the now thoroughly incensed host, "they act just as if the butchers sold steaks and roasts for fun; the poultry and fish dealers were public philanthropists; the bakers run benevolent shops, and the grocers gave merchandise away. Half an hour later if you chance to be walking about the town, you will see these same people patronizing some hole-in-the-wall eating house. That's the way it goes, but what can you do?"

A FAMILY CARE.

"Some time ago a man and his wife came to my hotel, bringing three or four small children. They did not take rooms, but said they were in the habit of staying at my hotel when they came to the city. When I asked about a room the woman said, 'Oh, no, Mr. Landlord, we just thought we would make your house a sort of headquarters, where the children could play and have a good time; oh dear, no, we don't want a room; it would just be a useless expense, you know; times are hard and money scarce; please don't put yourself to any trouble; oh dear, no;' I did not like the idea of having my fine parlor used as a play ground, but what could I do? I simply put on a Judas sort of a smile, bowed low, softly rubbed my hands, and smiled a regretful order. Pretty soon I returned to the parlor and what do you suppose I found?"

The quill driver opened his eyes wide in expectancy and remarked that this hadn't the remotest idea.

"Well, I'll tell you," said the host. "The whole family had spread out their lunch right in the center of my parlor. Over the elegant center-table, over the oriental lounge, and over several of my very finest chairs were spread bread, butter, sardines, meat and pies. One of the children was smearing preserves over my carpet, and another young hopeful with greasy hands was toying with the silken tassels of the furniture. Now I am a mild man, but this dislocated the camel's back. Just as the man said 'We are making ourselves perfectly at home, Mr. Landlord,' I lost my patience, but, like a Christian, I possessed my irate soul, I bottled my wrath. In the mildest tone possible I told these people that I did not keep a restaurant up stairs; I remarked that my carpet cost me $3 a yard, that the center-table cost me a round hundred, that I paid $75 for my ottoman and my chairs were worth from $20 to $30 a piece. My mild remonstrance and explanations were lost in the cyclone of wrath which it burst forth. In the rose, gathered the fragments of the repast, put on their things and departed out in high dudgeon, telling me to my teeth that I didn't keep a first-class hotel, anyway; that they would patronize a place where they could receive respectable treatment, and would never darken my doors again."

ANOTHER INSTANCE.

"That just recalls another instance," he said, wiping great beads of perspiration from his face, and taking a few turns around the room. "A very respectable appearing young lady recently called at the hotel. She declined to engage a room when asked, saying she had always patronized the hotel when she came to Portland. I did not know her and had never seen her before to my knowledge. She went up into the parlor and made herself at home. Presently she rang for the boy, and said she wished an umbrella, as it was raining hard, and she was going out. When politely informed that the hotel was not an umbrella factory, or second hand furniture store, she became quite indignant, and said: 'Do you call this a first class hotel?' Well, I don't, if it was they'd keep umbrellas for the accommodation of their guests, that's all.' She went out, and in an hour or so returned with her clothing very wet. Going up into the parlor she spread her saturated cloak and other garments over two of my finest chairs, and pushed them close to the fire. She next pulled a large easy rocker in front of the stove and sat down to dry herself. When first entering the house this young woman brought a lunch basket which she gave to the porter, insisting on having it checked. Next she rang the bell and had her basket brought up, then, spreading out her lunch on the elegant center-table, proceeded to regale herself. The housekeeper came in and remonstrated, and wished her to take a room, but the young woman refused quite indignantly, and said, 'You do not know who I am.' I was informed of the proceeding, and went up stairs. Assuming the suavity of the late Lord Chesterfield, I modestly approached my self-satisfied guest. I was indignant, I confess it, but I was mild as oil and firm as a rock. I informed the young creature that the parlor was not a lunch-room; it was intended for the accommodation of all my guests; it was not a dining room, either; that as a person might not to monopolize both the fire and furniture. If you will a room, I'll order one. If you wish to buy this parlor, it is for sale, madame. She sprang up, glared and glowed at me like a tigress, and said, 'You do not know who I am, sir.' In vain I meekly expostulated. Snatching up her soaked clothing and lunch basket, she left the place with the menacing remark, 'But, sir, you shall hear from me again.'

STILL ANOTHER TRIAL.

"Only a few days since a couple, with two children, came to the hotel. Of course they wanted everything, including the world with a wire fence around it. Besides kicking and stamping out my parlor carpet and handling the furniture like cordwood, the two children insisted upon thrumming on my splendid parlor piano, for which I paid only the trifling sum of $1250. In this most amusing and innocent pastime the fond and doting mother encouraged the young hopefuls. Now, even Job, that patient man of Uz, could not calmly endure everything. Neither can a hotel keeper. He will it with one Spartan fortitude for a while. One day I entered the parlor and found the children pounding discordantly over the keys with fingers bedaubed with butter and syrup. Just behind them sat the mother regarding the open air concert with mingled pride and delight. My Southern blood was up in a second, and it went tingling through my veins like fire, but I kept my choler down. I love music dearly; I do not like to discourage genius; I am fond of children, I am a father myself," said the host, proudly, and sadly, "that I also admire my $1250 Grand Weber. In my most insidious and gentle manner I approached these juvenile Mozarts and Rubensteins, and told them they must not think my splendid instrument was a cuy board or a sawhorse, and that I did not run a conservatory of music. Instantly they ceased banging on the keys, and ran to their parents. And now comes the unkindest cut of all," said the gentleman, rising and going to the window to conceal his emotions, while his manly baritone trembled with pathos. "Father and mother rose in rebellion; rose as one individual, and sharply confronted me. 'Do you keep a public house,' said Jones, bristling up like a porcupine when that interesting animal is mightily riled. 'Isn't this a hotel; hasn't your guests some rights here?' Then Mrs. Jones chipped in: 'Yes, sir, is, or is not this a public house? Don't we stop here? Isn't our money as good as any one's?' Can't my children amuse themselves here, the little pets?' A first-class hotel you call this tavern, indeed; we'll leave here at once and go where we can get decent treatment and proper accommodations.' Before I could offer an apology, or attempted to pour oil on the disturbed waters, Jones said to me fiercely: 'Make out our bill, sir, immediately, for we are going; if we can't be treated like civilized people, we'll quit, that's all. Well, I took great pleasure in making out the bill and they got it, but not until the irate Jones stood up, disputed the account for a while, finally paid it, and then had the satisfaction of calling me a grasping, avaricious fellow a swindler and no gentleman.

SAMPLE TABLE MANNERS.

"Speaking of table manners, just allow me to relate one little dining room episode. A few days ago a very quiet and respectable appearing couple were stopping at the house. The woman and man went down to the restaurant for dinner. Our waiters are all quiet, deferential sort of fellows, respectful and never 'fresh.' One of the men proceeded to serve the couple. Naturally supposing they would eat like ordinary human beings, the waiter served them in regular courses; first soup, then fish, then roast, sandwiched with entrees, and finally dessert. Before reaching dessert, however, the man arose with wrath in his eye and bitterness on his tongue. Addressing the waiter, he said: 'Look here, you fellow, what do you mean by serving us in this style? Why do you bring one thing at a time for, sir? I want you to distinctly understand that when I come to a table I want everything on—soup, fish, fowl, flesh, side dishes and all; do you understand that.' The couple then walked out of the dining-room in indignant disgust. Their waiter stared aghast; you could have carried him on a cracker. 'My dear fellow,' said the host, holding out his hands in an appealing way really touching to see, "at chance has a man to struggle against such boorish simplicity and impenetrable stupidity?"

"I see you are looking faint," said mine host; "wait a minute and I will call for a couple of brandy smashes and a brace of Havanas."

Wishing the courteous hotel proprietor success and more pleasant experiences in the future," the scribe tossed off the fiery potion, pocketed the fragrant cigar, and bid the gentleman adieu. Grasping the reporter's hand, the host smiled blandly and said: "Well, the hotel business has its lights and shades. You have asked for my candid opinion about a first-class hotel in Portland, and you've got it. Perhaps Mr. Riley, the gentleman so celebrated in battle, might make it pay."

THE HIATT-PIERCE LAND DISPUTE.

A Reply by Mrs Hiatt to the Statements of Mrs Pierce.

FOREST GROVE, March 28.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN:

My attention has recently been called to an article in THE OREGONIAN of January 28, headed "The Murder of J. O. Pierce," criticising an editorial in the *Independent* on the Hillsboro murder trial, as copied in your paper of December 18, in which many assertions are made that are not sustained by the facts in the case; which facts, if you will grant me space in your columns, I desire to lay before the public.

First, then, I assert that the land in dispute, that J. O. Pierce claims to have bought from Parsons, *more wis*, according to the accepted government survey, a part of the Parsons donation, nor did the west line of the Parsons claim join the east line of the Carpenter donation, as was claimed by J. O. Pierce.

The reasons upon which this assertion is based are as follows: While these donation claims have been held for nearly forty years, the plats in the surveyor-general's office show that the lots of land Nos. 4 and 5 of section 11, township 1 south, range 4 west, being the land in dispute that J. O. Pierce claimed he bought from Parsons, were vacant land, one Mr. Hurst was permitted to file on, make proof, and did receive his United States patent to said land, which patent is dated June 25, 1872, or less than fifteen years ago, and further, the lots numbered 1, 2 and 3 of section 11, according to the approved survey, adjoining the west line of the Parsons donation, and on a line parallel with lots 4 and 5, were vacant land lying between the west line of the Parsons and the east line of the Carpenter claim, and were conveyed by deed, dated January 11, 1878, to Caleb Hiatt by the trustees of the Oregon & California land grant, of which they came in possession in 1870.

See inclosed diagram, which if convenient, please insert. [The form of diagram makes insertion impracticable.—ED.]

How can it be taken that the east line of the Carpenter was also the west line of the Parsons donation, and that the lots in dispute are held by nearly forty years of possession, when the government has not only permitted entries to be made, but has actually conveyed them, by grant and by patent within less than sixteen years, to other parties, from whom, as the record will show, Isaac Hiatt came into possession of them by honest purchase? Or did anyone ever acquire possession of land by being a trespasser upon it for any length of time while the title was vested in the government?

I believe the possession a plat and the field notes of the Parsons donation, as surveyed by Israel Mitchell and approved by the surveyor-general, as made by Secretary Harbart for the trustees of the Oregon and California land grant, and also of the Sulger survey, which Mrs. Pierce claims to be correct, but which the honorable secretary of state asserts was not approved by the surveyor-general, and also his letter of explanation, in which he says: "I find in Sulger's survey of Carpenter claim, that in running the south boundary he (Sulger) crosses the words, 'struck line of claim 40' (the Parsons claim) and does not state that the corner was established on the line of claim No. 40, showing that the Pierce claim as correct—what Mr. Sulger himself did not claim in his notes.

This, then, to all reasonable minds, who are acquainted with the facts, is proof positive that J. O. Pierce, and not Isaac Hiatt, was the trespasser, and ought to settle the difficulty so far as the right of defense is concerned.

Mrs. Pierce, in the article referred to, says that Mitchell afterwards, in correcting the lines, changed the corners of the Parsons claim. So he did; and the secretary of state, in the letter referred to, says the Mitchell survey was approved, while the older or Sulger survey was not approved.

It was this approved Mitchell corner that the county surveyor, L. C. Walker, found, which Mrs. Pierce, although admitting that it was made by Mitchell, asserts that L. C. Walker did not find, but made. It was on the line leading direct from this corner, which formed the east boundary of the land bought from Mr. Parsons and by Oregon & California railway, as per plats of the accepted and established survey that Caleb Hiatt built the fence that he sold to Isaac Hiatt, about 120 panels of which Mrs. Pierce took down carried away and burned, which was, if the government plats, the surveyor-general, the honorable secretary of state and the county surveyor, and other evidences which we deem possible, are correct, not only a trespass upon Isaac Hiatt, but a felony also and a willful destruction of the property that was Isaac Hiatt's by purchase, and for which he had already paid $1200 in cash—though Mrs. Pierce asserts that he bought, but did not pay for the land. She also says that J. O. Pierce never took down a rail or fence that Isaac Hiatt built.

What difference did it make as to the legitimate ownership of said fence, whether Isaac Hiatt built it or bought it, as he did, or from Caleb Hiatt, Mrs. Pierce's father, who did build it? And not only did J. O. Pierce take down the aforesaid fence, but took down about forty rods of fence that Isaac Hiatt built. The assertion is as misleading as it is untrue, as many others in her letter of abuse of many of the most respectable citizens and officials of this county, some of whom, knowing well the persistency with which we had been persecuted for seventeen months by the burning and throwing down of our fences at various times, destroying our hay in the field when gathered and ready for housing, removing corners, plowing and cutting down witness trees, exposing our crops to ravages of stock, and in every and all ways that cunning and meanness could devise we were worried and irritated, until one of the mildest of men and kindest of husbands and fathers, who during the twelve years of our married life never spoke an unkind word to wife or child, and who never before had had any difficulty with a neighbor, was driven by these persecutions to such a state of frenzy, bordering on insanity, that in his very desperation he committed the rash act in an unguarded moment, for which he is declared a murderer, and all whom, knowing these facts, that have expressed their sympathy for or in any way befriended him or his needy family are declared equally guilty with himself.

As to the charges of criminal conduct against L. C. Walker, for such they are, I shall let that gentleman answer for himself, though the fact that he has been re-elected five or six times to the position of county surveyor by the citizens of Washington county, and that, when so tested his work has been sustained by the courts in such an emphatic expression of their confidence in the integrity and fitness for the position he occupies, that he seems entirely justifiable in treating the whole matter and the source from which the charges emanate with silent contempt.

Trusting that, in the interest of justice, you will give the above statement space in your columns, permit me to express my earnest thanks and sincere gratitude to the many good people who have so kindly assisted us in our time of great affliction. Respectfully yours,

HANNAH P. HIATT.

ALBINA.

Observations of a Reporter in an Afternoon's Ramble.

The Railroad Yard—The Docks—The New Terminal Works—The Mill and Industries—The City Growing and Prosperous.

Albina, while not experiencing an extraordinary boom in the usual mushroom sense of the word, is, nevertheless, moving forward in the steady march of improvement. There is no feverish, unhealthful growth within the limits of that newly created municipality—be it remembered, that Albina is no longer a hamlet, but has assumed corporate honors and responsibilities by act of the late legislature. Aside from the construction of the extensive terminal work, no great improvements are being prosecuted by any one company or individual, in any particular section or locality; but on every side is he

Stupendous masses of ... from the base and sides of ... tends parallel with the ... hundred yards east of the ... principally been utilized in the ... land owned by the railroad ... was formerly lower than the ... Along the base of the hill a ... tends from a point where ... works are in process of ... where the flooring will ... number of old dump cars ... ready for service at any time. ... ous track the bank rises in ... a hundred feet, and frequently ... perpendicular angle. The top ... ered with timber and brush, ... dense and again sparsely. ... shows that the soil is com... sand, interspersed with ... and strata of clay, ... found to be admirably ... sions. Between the ... made track foundation ... there is a large tract of land ... it can be utilized for ... be filled up to the required ... be done and that, too, at no ... land is destined to be of great ... supply of dirt is convenient ... the task will be no very heavy one.

A passing glance at the swarms ... gaged in building the terminal ... rate detailed description of ... few weeks ago in THE OREGONIAN, ... that the contractors, Messrs. ... Bridges, are pushing the enterprise ... early completion. Masonry work is ... progress and the din of hammers ... with the sharp ringing of trowels ... and mortar were being used ... row. On the point ship ... ly finished their work and the ... will soon be erected. Then ... plates of slate will follow ... On the round house a host of ... work. Like the paint shop, the ... nearing the finishing blows. ... ances the building will soon ... roof supports. Several men ... the turntable, which is located ... round house and connected with ... of radiating tracks. The circular ... the wall of stone and brick ... this the wheels, which are to ... gearing of the turntable, will ... Within probably a week the ... for use. As yet no ... been commenced on the ... Some half a dozen men were employed ... ing up a number of depressions ... foundation walls and stone ... the masons complete the round ... in which mortar and brick will be ... on the machine shop will be ... Immense works are required to ... what the contractors have ahead ... no time to play. They are ... feel very confident that the ... within the time specified. The ... the lofty smokestack (150 feet ... prepared, but the upper portion ... completed for some time. ... vast quantities of brick used ... small army of men, the constant ... wilderness of material is scarcely ...

On the hill back from Albina proper ... large and thriving community. ... generally large and handsome, ... but grounds surrounding them. ... season there will be a number ... buildings erected. "Albina is ... ahead," said a well-known ... place yesterday to the reporter, ... ing great noise about our prospects, ... but we are moving right along, ... shall continue to grow, ... confident that our boom, and a big one, ... coming."

Near the landing of the Albina ferry the ... ill-fated craft New York is moored. ... launch which capsized by getting ... a cable a few days ago, killing one ... and slightly injuring several others. ... capped the climax by sinking. ... might she was raised and brought up ... ing. The damage is not heavy. ... stack is carried away, the pilot ... splinters and the stern badly ... Necessary repairs are being made, ... a few weeks the New York will be in ... for service. Both machinery and ... without damage. Albina Ferry No. 1 ... known as the Twins) met with ... ment to her machinery a few ... also been tied up for a night ... Meantime the lively little ... making regular trips.

At the wharf a short distance above ... ing two deep sea vessels are moored. ... the Loch Ranza and Mobile Bay. ... nearly completed outgoing cargoes. ... World and will soon go down the river.

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ONTARIO.

SELLING TIMBER LANDS.

OTTAWA, April 1.—W. Todd, ... sioner of fisheries, publishes ... the opinion of Hon. ... to the construction ... the treaty of ... American fishermen ... says such a ... as ... ing fail to ... from purchasing it, ... What the framers of that ... was to prevent ... the three-mile limit.

THE BULGARIAN REVOLUTION.

A SERVIAN ...

BUCHAREST, April ... gees, one of whom ... den condemnation, ... insurrection, ... Hentschuck, whom ... of the city. ... wounding him, and ... were overtaken and ... escaped by taking ... tion.

RUSSIA.

... Russian ... the Emperor ... the officials and imprisoned.

AN IMPORTANT CASE.

A Decision in the Supreme Court of the United States.

As that Under Oregon Laws when a Wife Mortgages her Property to Pay her Husband's Debts the Question after Foreclosure, if her Ability to do so Cannot be Raised.

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

No. 19—October Term, 1886.

... Barrell and Amelia J. Barrell, Plaintiffs in Error, vs. C. E. Tilton. In Error to the Circuit Court of the United States for the District of Oregon.

Action for the recovery of possession of Real Estate.

The common law theory that the wife's legal ... is completely merged in the husband's ... obtain in Oregon, and in that state she ... joined with him as co-defendant in a suit ... recovery of possession of land which they ... held by coercion.

... 6, Art. XV, of the Oregon state constitution ... was not designed to control the wife's voluntary disposition of her property to her husband's debts and contracts; *and further*, when ... voluntarily mortgaged by the wife to secure her husband's debts has been finally conveyed to the ... under regular foreclosure proceedings ... the question of her ability to so mortgage is res ... Cited.

... the term in which a final decree was ... the court has full power to modify ... control over it by ... and cannot lose its control over it by ... adjournment within motion pending respecting ...

STATEMENT.

... was an action for the possession of a ... of land containing thirteen acres and ... of an acre in Multnomah county, Oregon. ... plaintiff is a citizen of New York and ... The plaintiffs are citizens of Oregon. In the ... defendants are alleged to be husband and ... they are not sued as such, and no ... though they are, is founded upon that relationship is ... they are sued simply as parties in occupation of the premises.

The complaint alleges that the plaintiff is the ... owner in fee of the land and lawfully entitled ... possession, describing it; that the defendants are in its possession and wrongfully withhold it from him; and that the property is of the value of $10,000.

The defendant, Coburn Barrell, answered the ... denying that the plaintiff derives his ... through a conveyance from William S. ... and wife, citizens of Oregon, bearing date ... the 25th day of September, 1882, which was ... executed collusively, with the sole intent of giving the federal court jurisdiction of the action, ... with the understanding that at some future ... the land or its proceeds shall be reconveyed to them. The defendant further answered, that he defended only for two acres and ... rights of an acre of the land, and as to ... he denied the ownership of the plaintiff or ... the plaintiff had any right to the possession thereof, and alleged that he is the owner ... and entitled to its possession; that as to ... other part of the tract described in the complaint, consisting of eleven acres, he was merely ... agent of Aurelia J. Barrell. The answer ... set up that the plaintiff demigns title through an instrument purporting to be a conveyance absolute, executed by the defendants to ... bearing date on the 18th of January, ... and that such conveyance was intended as ... to secure the payment to him of ... with interest, which sum the defendant ... and willing to pay.

The defendant, Aurelia J. Barrell, demurred to the complaint, on the ground that, as the wife ... Coburn Barrell, she was improperly joined ... him in the action; and that the complaint ... facts sufficient to constitute a cause ... because, she being sued as the wife ... co-defendant, there were no allegations ... complaint of a cause of action for which ... was responsible.

The court overruled the demurrer, and Aurelia answered, setting up, as in the answer of ... Barrell, the collusive character of the ... of Ladd and wife of the plaintiff on ... of September, 1882, under which he ... title to the premises; and, further, that ... defended merely for eleven acres, as to ... he denied the ownership of the plaintiff, ... of right of possession, and alleged that she ... otherwise herself and rightfully entitled to its possession. She also set up, as in Coburn Barrell's answer, the conveyance by the defendants to Ladd, through whom the plaintiff claims the ... acres, dated January 18, 1877, and avers ... such conveyance was intended as a mortgage ... her separate estate as security for the ... of the sum owed by her husband to ... with interest thereon.

... answer the plaintiff replied, traversing ... material averments except that it ... that the conveyance of the defendants to ... on the 18th of January, 1877, was intended ... a mortgage to secure the payment of a ... Barrell to him, and stated that ... September, 1879, he instituted a suit in the ... court of Oregon for Multnomah county ... the defendants, for the purpose of having ... conveyance declared to be a mortgage, ... a decree foreclosing the same, and for a ... of the premises; that in that suit the defendants appeared and defended, setting up all ... contained in their separate answers in ... cases; that such proceedings were had ... that, on the 15th of March, 1880, a final ... was rendered, declaring the conveyance ... be a mortgage, and that its condition had ... broken, and decreeing that the property ... and that the defendants and all persons ... under them be barred and foreclosed ... all right and interest in it; that under this ... the property was sold by the sheriff of ... county after due advertisement, and ... manner directed, and at such sale Wm. ... became the purchaser; that the sale ... confirmed, and, on the 25th of August, ... sheriff executed a deed of the property ... that part of the property has been ... and that no appeal has been taken ... decree, which remains unreversed, ... the plaintiff is the immediate grantee ... claim.

... the trial of the case the plaintiff introduced the conveyance executed by the defendants ... Wm. S. Ladd, of the property described ... complaint, dated the 18th of January, ... a certified transcript of the record of ... suit brought by him against them in the ... court to have the conveyance adjudged to ... a mortgage, and for his foreclosure, and the ... of the premises, showing the decree and ... for the sale, and the confirmation of the ... The plaintiff also introduced the conveyance ... by the sheriff to Wm. S. Ladd, bearing ... the 25th of August, 1880, and also a ... of the premises by Ladd and wife to the ... on the 25th of September, 1882. No ... was offered as to the alleged collusive ... in the execution of this deed, to give ... federal court jurisdiction of the action.

... transcript of the record of the suit showed ... purported to be a final decree, entered on ... of March, 1880, and subsequently a second ... also purporting to be a final decree, ... on the 20th of March, 1880. The two ... differed only in the manner in which the ... to be sold was described. The difference ... in this way. At the request of counsel ... was referred to a referee to examine and ... upon the propriety of offering the property ... in parcels, so as to enhance the ... therefrom. The referee reported a ... dividing the property into parcels, and ... court directed it to be sold accordingly. ... a condition that, after it had been sold ... parcels, if any one should bid more for it as ... it should be sold to him. In the first ... the metes and bounds of the several parcels ... given separately. In the second, the ... and bounds of the several parcels are ... separately, and of the whole as one tract. ... purposes under which the sale was made was ... of the last decree. When the manuscript ... offered in evidence counsel objected to its ... on the ground that the record ... that the final decree was made and en... on the 15th of March, 1880, and that the ... had no jurisdiction to enter the second decree ... under which the sale was made. The ... overruled the objection, and the defendants ... The defendants then offered in ... a copy of the judgment ben docket of ... circuit court, showing that the decree ... entered on the 15th of March, 1880. No ... having been produced, the court ... the jury that the sheriff's deed con... the estate of the defendants to the grantee ... Ladd and wife to the plaintiff vested in ... for the plaintiff. To this instruction ... was excepted. The jury accordingly gave a ... for the plaintiff, upon which judgment ... entered; and to review that judgment the ... have brought the case here on a writ ...

[January 10, 1887.]

Mr. Justice Field, after stating the case as ... delivered the opinion of the court, as follows:

... of the numerous points made by the defendants ... below, the plaintiffs in error here, only ... to three points. The others are either immaterial or unsupported by the record. The ...

... rulings of the court that the decree of ... was conclusive as to the right of ... to recover the property for the debt or ... secured by the mortgage; in sustaining the validity of the sale ... the order of the state court, entered on the ... and in refusing to allow the defendants to ... the value of the improvements ... taken by the demurrer of Au...

... relies is, that, being the wife of Coburn Barrell, she cannot be joined with him as a co-defendant in an action for the possession of real property, of which both are alleged to be in the occupation. It is founded on the theory that, by the common law, her identity is so merged in his that she cannot have possession of such property independently of him. If there be any such rule of the common law, upon which we affirm nothing, it has been abolished in Oregon. By a statute of that state, approved on the 21st of October, 1880, all laws which impose or recognize any civil disabilities of the wife, not imposed or recognized as to the husband, were repealed, except that the right to vote and hold office was not conferred upon her. And "for any unjust usurpation of her property or natural rights," she was declared to have the same right to appeal to the courts of law and equity for redress that the husband has. In that state she can hold property jointly with him, or separately from him. There would, then, therefore, to be no sound reason why, in possession with him of property which rightfully belongs to another, she may not be jointly sued with him for its recovery, in the present case the effect of the larger part of the land in controversy as her separate property.

2. The second objection that the decree of the state court in the suit by Ladd against the defendants does not bar the right of Aurelia to the property, is founded upon her supposed inability to mortgage her property to secure a debt of her husband under section five of Article XV of the state constitution, which declares "that the property and possessory rights of every married woman at the time of marriage, or afterwards acquired by gift, devise or inheritance, shall not be subject to the debts or contracts of the husband." But this clause merely preserves the property of the wife from his or creditors' subjection to his debts or contracts. It was not designed to control her voluntary disposal of it, and in the absence of other restrictions she could mortgage it to secure the payment of a debt owing by him.

The objection, however, is entirely dissolved of by the decree in the state court. The rights of the parties under the conveyances, defendants to Ladd of January 17, 1877, were fully considered and determined in that case. The conveyance was adjudged to be a mortgage. The rights of the defendants in the property were foreclosed, and the property was ordered to be sold, and the sale by the sheriff was confirmed by the court. The conveyance to Ladd as the purchaser at such sale transferred all the estate of the defendants in the property. The question as to her ability to mortgage the property cannot be raised again in this case. It has been finally adjudged against her present contention.

3. The two decrees in the suit in the state court do not conflict in the matters adjudged. The latter decree differs from the first merely in giving the boundaries of the property to be sold as one tract and also the boundaries of each of the several parcels into which it was divided. This addition to the original decree could be made by the court during the term in which that decree was rendered. The court could lose jurisdiction over it only by the adjournment of the term with no motion pending respecting it. When the second decree was made, it would, as stated by the learned district judge, have been a better course, "more orderly and convenient," as he expresses it, "to have referred to the first one, and stated in what particular the latter was intended to modify, supplement, or supersede the former." But this was not essential. A comparison of the two decrees discloses the additions made to the first one. *Judgment affirmed.*

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Gen. William Blahone of Virginia.

Norfolk Landmark (Dem.).

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A TALK WITH WATTERSON.

The Louisville Editor's Opinion on National Politics.

Blaine or Sherman Likely to Receive the Republican Presidential Nomination—Belief that Cleveland Is the Man Who Will Lead the Democrats Again.

To get at Mr. Watterson, says a Louisville letter to the Chicago *Tribune*, one has to pass directly under a stone statue of George D. Prentice. The *Courier-Journal* building is at the corner of Fourth avenue and Green street, and its designers purposely made its corner facade in such shape as to accommodate the stone figure of Prentice. The latter is carved in a sitting posture, his Land rests upon a book of jokes, and his face is begrimed with Louisville dust and soot. The least that Mr. Watterson could do, it seems, the stranger, would be to have his great predecessor's face washed occasionally.

Mr. Watterson is a pretty hard quantity to find. For a great editor such as he, he takes the world rather easy. His room is No. 48 in the *Courier-Journal* building. It is on the top floor, but "Bless you, sah!" said the colored janitor as he pulled the elevator rope, "he's never dar." It certainly seemed so, for at least seven times during the day I mounted that elevator, only to find that he was not "dar." Then Mr. Watterson's business was hunted up, but a colored butler in snowy apron said he "weren't dar."

"Guess yo' find him at the Pendennis club, boss," said the servitor.

But Mr. Watterson was not at the Pendennis club. An aristocratic gentleman, member of the Pendennis club, who stood within ten feet of the inquirer and heard the inquiry, told a servant to tell the "sleiteh" that Mr. Watterson could always be found at the *Courier-Journal* office after 8 P. M.

"Yes," said Mr. Watterson, when he was that night encountered in his room, "I have matters so arranged that I don't come here till 7 or 8 o'clock in the evening, and I never go home till pretty near daylight. A good deal of a night owl, you see. Well, it's a habit. I can't settle down to work till the shadows fall. Daytime I like to be around with my friends, and when night comes I like to toe the down and put eight or ten hours' thought, investigation, and intercourse with my fellow-beings into two or three hours' work." He was asked about politics.

"Politics?" he chuckled as he tore open a letter from the mail that had just been brought in. "Politics? I didn't know we had any. I haven't heard of any politics in two years." And as Mr. Watterson said this he grinned sardonically. "This is a kind of a millenium, isn't it? When everything is good, peaceful and lovely, and life is filled with reform and things. Why do you ask about politics when there is no politics? Haven't we all concluded to give politics a rest? They're not bothering about politics in Washington, are they? Then why should we?"

I remarked that Mr. Sherman's "March to the Gulf" would seem to have some political significance.

"Yes. Honest John is on a pilgrimage. He's now in Cuba, but will open the campaign, so to speak, at Nashville the 21th. Then he goes to Birmingham to make a tariff speech, thence to Chattanooga, and I guess will follow his brother's old line of march pretty closely till he reaches Washington."

"Then he is an undeniable candidate for the presidency?"

"Oh, yes; an avowed candidate. The death of Logan simplifies matters for John Sherman. The only one he has now to be looked after, and that is Mr. Blaine. If Blaine sees that he cannot be nominated, or if he can be nominated is again likely to suffer defeat, I believe he will withdraw in favor of another man. I do not believe, as some newspapers assert, that there is any understanding between Blaine and Sherman, but I do believe that if Blaine retires from the field Sherman would be his choice for the succession. Undoubtedly Allison would be his first choice. I think I can say that I know Gen. Sherman is an intimate friend of Blaine's. Their wives are related and their families are thicker than country cousins at a wedding, and all goes to point to the success of the Sherman movement if Blaine feels that he cannot win. If Sherman should be nominated, and perchance be elected, Mr. Blaine would of course occupy his old place in the state department. If there has been any deal, and mind I don't believe there has, it is certain that that is one of the conditions. An I in any event that would result if Mr. Sherman should become president."

"But would not Mr. Sherman be a pretty vulnerable candidate for the newspapers to attack?"

"Yes, but the press would not be able to do him so much harm as the banking people in New York, of whom he made enemies while secretary of the treasury. You know he was accused of gross favoritism in the distribution of the emoluments arising from the funding operations of ten years ago. Well, the banks and bankers of New York will get no slice of that patronage, and who remembered that a couple of banks in which Mr. Sherman had an interest got it all, are likely to make far more damaging revelations than the newspapers could possibly put forth. I think if Mr. Sherman should be the nominee he would have to face a storm of hostile and influential criticism right in New York that would be hard for his friends to overcome. Yet he has many elements of strength. People have forgotten, and do not remember vividly, the things which might be alleged of his wealth, how he got it, and the corporate interests he helped. Time is a great healer. Mr. Sherman is quite strong in the south, and he knows it—particularly that region described by my friend Grady as the 'New South.' They are all crazy down in Alabama, Tennessee and Georgia on manufactures, and Sherman as an apostle of protection will be welcomed there. The very people who received the general on his march to the sea with impure eggs will now flock to hear Brother John in his march to the gulf, on the beauties of the tariff. Human nature is human always—at least I have found it so. Our butter lies on that side of the bread on which we find it."

"And now, Mr. Watterson, what about Cleveland? If Sherman is likely to be chosen next year, who are the democrats going to pit against him?"

"Cleveland, eh? Well, now, let me see. Are you interviewing me? If you are I must be cautious. I will say this, though: I do not believe there is the slightest chance of the democratic party winning next year unless it does nominate Cleveland. He is the only man that can, under present conditions, carry the party to victory. I don't see how they are going to get around it. They must take him. It will be perhaps to some like a dose of medicine; but then, as the quack says, 'It's my compound or death.' I take no stock at all in this Dave Hill business that Dana and Pulitzer are egging on. In fact, I can affirm from personal knowledge that Gov. Hill is not a party to it, has no sympathy with it, and is in perfect accord with the friends of Cleveland. The *Sun* and *World* are simply trying to create the boom that they claim already exists. There is no Hill boom anywhere, nor does the governor mean to permit one. The only one that does exist was started by Dana's office cat."

"But you are a joker, also as an anything-to-beat-Cleveland man?"

"I am the editor of the Louisville *Courier-Journal*, and it is my duty to the people who buy and believe in that paper to tell them what is going on and to enlighten them to the best of my ability. Personally I possess and value Mr. Cleveland's friendship, but I reserve the right also to tell my readers what I think of his public acts, and how much better I think he could run things and serve his party than he is doing. But because I do that is no reason why I should be classed as an enemy. I am not. We are personal friends, and I enjoy the friendship of every member of his cabinet. At the same time I object and will continue to object to this one first democratic administration in a quarter of a century going to the republican party for its ideas and methods. Now, mind, I'm not growling about the offices, but I do resent the idea that republican theories of finance, of civil service reform, of tariff revision—of everything else that the country meant to repudiate by its election of a democratic president—should be the governing principles of the administration. I declaim against that policy in public and private, and will continue to do so long as Mr. Cleveland pursues it. Still that doesn't make me his enemy by any means, and I am not. Mr. Carlisle told me the other day that Cleveland had asked him: 'What is the matter with Watterson? What does he want?' I sent word back that the 'matter' was not with Watterson, and that Watterson wanted nothing! One trouble with Cleveland," continued Mr. Watterson, "is his excessive thinness of skin. I never knew a public man who was so sensitive to even just and good-tempered criticism. I sat one day with him at his desk when he opened a drawer and hauled out a whole handful of clippings—paragraphs and such from some of the most obscure papers in the country—some of them silly and brutal, and he said, 'Now, Mr. Watterson, when a man is trying to do his duty to the best of his powers, why should he be assailed by these jackals?' I said, 'Mr. President, if I were you I would not stop to listen to every yelp that strikes your ear. Throw away those things and don't cut out any more.' He laughed and said maybe he was too sensitive."

"And you think Mr. Cleveland the most likely nominee next year?"

"He is the only man we can make a fight with any show of success. He has a tremendous backing in New England and New York, and much as we may laugh at the mugwumps, that vote has not decreased any by the results of the last two years. It's a little rough to have to go to the republican party for help to elect a democratic president, but then, having done it once, we ought to gather those mugwumps permanently into the fold. Cleveland is the only man who can do it."

"One object of John Sherman's tour south, it is said by a Virginia paper, is to plead the way for reviving the republican party there, outside of negroism and sectional prejudice. Do you believe such a thing possible?"

"It is not only possible, but probable. I am looking every day for a break-up in the Solid South, and it will be a good thing for the country when it comes. But it will never come until the republican party of the North drops its sectionalism, ceases its attempts to array race against race, and buries the bloody shirt. That garment should be burned and its ashes scattered. Just so long as the republicans keep alive the memories of the war, keep aloft the banner of sectionalism, seek to aid and maintain negro dominance under the sentimental guise of equal rights, and all that, just so long will the white people of the South maintain a solid front. They must do it. It is their protection. Their safety and their honor and pride, to say nothing of self-interest, will keep them up to the rack. But the old whig leaven is there in all the states, and especially in those where once it was the strongest. You couldn't get any southern man now perhaps to avow himself in sympathy with the old whig prine ples, but they all have the memory of Henry Clay, and the idea of protection, internal improvements, centralization, and simplification of government is strong with a very large proportion of the p. It would be the easiest thing in the world to develop these ideas if the south could only be assured that the effort was made in good faith, and that the seeds and crops would be allowed to grow. The democracy is ripe for a break-up. A new era has begun. New blood is coming in. Capital is pouring to the west. Railways are building and extending. There is indeed a 'new south,' and now it only remains for the politicians of the north to understand their duty. You may think this is queer talk for a democrat, but then I indulge in queer talks sometimes. I believe it would be a great thing for the whole country, and for the democratic party in particular, to break up the solid south and cease to elect presidents and congresses on sectional lines. It is coming as sure as the sun shines. Look at Virginia with her six republican congressmen out of eight. North Carolina is trembling on the verge of a political revolution; Tennessee doesn't dare go a day after dark for fear of finding the house occupied by some stranger on her return; Alabama is filling up with northern people and is bound to be a protection state. All these things point to a new era in American politics, and I welcome the day of its advent. If Mr. Sherman can do anything in his next week's tour to prepare the people of the south for the reception of new ideas, or make them believe that the old ones are dead and buried, he will be doing a great work.

GRANT AND McCLELLAN.

The Discovery of a Partnership that was Almost Concluded.

New York Sun.

In the examination of papers left by the late Gen. McClellan the discovery has been made that he and Gen. Grant, although they had been anything else than accordant as soldiers, entered into a remarkable partnership as civilians. It was a deeply-cherished ambition of Grant's to crown his achievements with the accomplishment of some great enterprises in civic affairs. Among the innumerable schemes that were brought before his attention the one that attracted him the most was the Nicaragua canal project. He was convinced that the benefits to commerce from an interoceanic canal would be an illustrious monument to the man who should secure the completion of a waterway. It may not be generally known that there have been nearly a score of surveys made of proposed routes for such a canal, the various lines crossing the country from points on the southern shore of the Gulf of Mexico, from points on the Mexican and Central American coasts, and even from the Gulf of Ormoco in South America. The latter scheme involved an immense cut through the lofty part of the Andes mountains. Of all these suggested routes only two or three have met with sufficient favor to warrant the organization of companies to prosecute the work.

During Gen. Grant's administration a commission was appointed to investigate the several canal projects and to make a report and recommendations. The commission was headed by Admiral Ammen, and in a voluminous report declared that the Nicaragua scheme was the most available. It is reasonable to suppose that men have forgotten that old Cortez, the original Cortez, who took a land-grabber's view of affairs in the sixteenth century, also recommended the Nicaragua scheme. It is a fact, though, and Cortez argued so effectively on the matter with the king of Spain that a survey was not only authorized, but directions were given that the work should be undertaken. Then one of those medieval unpleasantnesses arose in the shape of a war, and the king was furnished with diversion more exciting than ditch digging, and by and by Cortez died, and then the project was forgotten. But years afterward the Portuguese got interested in it, and though no actual work was done, a survey and favorable report were made; and as the country rolled along the idea that there might be something in a canal across Nicaragua reached England, and presently Admiral Nelson was sent out to make a survey and undertake the work of construction. Then, just as Nelson had begun to get familiar with the situation, England got into a bit of a shindy with France, and the admiral had to get home as fast as he could. No one can say that Gen. Grant did not know all the history of the Nicaragua scheme by heart; at any rate, he was convinced that it was a good one, and when he had retired from public life and had settled down to business and was looking about for some great enterprise with which to connect himself, it occurred to him that it was the best thing he could take hold of, and there was, of course, no difficulty in taking hold of it, for the projectors of the enterprise were only too glad to enroll him as their figure head. McClellan was to be associated with him in the prosecution of the work. Grant was to be president of the company and McClellan was to be at the head of the engineering department.

The arrangements of the scheme took time, but at last, after numerous conferences, papers were prepared that were satisfactory to all parties, and Gens. Grant and McClellan met in a New York office to sign them. It should be mentioned incidentally that with Gen. Grant at the head of the enterprise, the firm of Grant & Ward would naturally have been its financial agents. The papers embodying the agreements received a final scrutiny, and some discussion ensued. Then Gen McClellan, who held the documents, passed them to Gen. Grant. The latter had taken a pen in his hand to affix his signature when a messenger entered hurriedly and handed a dispatch to him. It announced the failure of the Marine bank. The general rose calmly, and, handing the message to McClellan, remarked:

"In that case I'll ask I had better not sign, for if the Marine bank has failed that means Grant & Ward."

Grant & Ward had already failed, but the general had not heard of it. McClellan looked at the dispatch for a moment and then replied:

"No; in that case I don't believe either of us had better sign, for I don't believe either you or I want to be found in the assets of Grant & Ward."

The remark was made with no knowledge of its deep significance, but it was the end of Gen. Grant's connection with the Nicaragua canal.

They Love Phil Armour Now.

Atlanta Constitution.

The next time Mr Phil Armour goes through Atlanta his company will be earnestly sought. When he was here the last time he said to a few friends: "Pork is a very good thing to tackle about now." These friends quietly tackled pork, and the result is that they have made small fortunes. The day Mr. Armour was here pork was about $13 50 a barrel. It is now something over $20 a barrel. It could have been bought then on a margin of 50 cents a barrel. A deposit of $1000 would have secured 200 barrels of pork, on which a speculator could have drawn out $14,000 clear profit. A number of Atlantians have made from $2000 to $3000 on the corner in pork that Mr. Armour had set the triggers for before he left Chicago, and the pointer on which he distributed his favors in Atlanta while munching crackers and drinking champagne.

Johnny's Composition on Medicine.

"There is two kinds of medicine besides the kind you Rub On and the first kind is the Soft Kind which you take with a spoon which A man holds your Head and you Kick and Biggies so he can't Tastes so and the other kind is the Hard kind which is called Pills and it is the Hardest of the whole because it is so Hard to go Down but it does not make any Di'ference which kind you Take when you get it Took you wish you Had not for it makes quite a Row a your Stomach and Rises Around."

Evidently Johnny's experience in medicine does not include Dr. Pierce's "Pleasant Purgative Pellets," which are easy to take and do their work quietly and calmly. Neither does it include in the way of "Soft Medicine" Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery," which though powerful to cure all chronic derangements of the liver and blood, is pleasant to the taste and agreeable in its effects. Unequaled as a remedy for all scrofulous diseases, pimples, blotches, erysipelas, tumors, swelled glands, goitre or thick neck, fever sores and hip-joint disease.

THE LAND QUESTION.

Father Higgins, of Cincinnati, Discusses Henry George's Theories.

How a Catholic Clergyman Gives the Philosophy of the Land Question.

Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

There has probably never been a more attentive and appreciative audience in St. Xavier's than that which listened last night to Father Higgins's masterly analysis and refutation to Henry George's land theory. After subjecting Mr. George's arguments to the test of logic, the lecturer established the true philosophic basis of property in general, and the landed property in particular.

Clearing the field of all side issues, said the lecturer, we go straight to the point in question, the justice or injustice of property in land. The arguments of Mr. George are mainly directed to prove that land is of such a nature as to be incapable of ever rightfully becoming private property. The chief of these arguments are the following:

1. The original and only source or title of ownership is the making or producing of a thing that is the labor of production. Now, it is evident that land is not the product of labor. Hence it can never rightfully become private property. In this argument the first proposition is absolutely false; the second is ambiguous, and of course from such premises there can be no conclusion.

The making or producing of a thing is neither the original nor the exclusive source of ownership. The produce of your labor is yours provided the materials are yours. You do not make the materials; you appropriate and use them. There must therefore be some just title to property as incident to the making or production of a thing. What is it? If you cannot take possession of the materials and make them your own there can be no property of any kind. Not even the community can own land on Mr. George's principle, for its labor has not made or produced it. It is evident, therefore, that there must be in man a right to occupy as his own and appropriate the material gifts of nature which he needs for the support of life.

2. That the land and its treasures were given to all men in common is true in one sense, false in another. Mr. George takes it in a positive sense—as if nature gave to all men a real, positive ownership of the whole earth. This is simply absurd; for a real, positive ownership involves the right to exclude all others. This belongs to the very essence of ownership. To say, then, that all men have an actual, positive ownership of the land is the same as to say that every one has a right to exclude everyone else, and as all are equal they all eventually exclude each other and are excluded. In other words, there is no ownership at all. The phrase, "Nature gave the land to all men in common," is true in the negative sense, as indicating that nature made no division, gave nothing to individuals, but made her gifts for all, supplying the means of subsistence to all as the reward of their exertion. What kind of right does such a gift confer? Only an abstract right; only the right to become an owner by personal activity and labor.

3. All men have the same right to land as they have to light and air. Another sophism. The land is necessary for the human race, but there is no need that every individual should till the soil. The land is capable of becoming personal property; light and air are not capable of being owned. These cannot be so possessed and held by one as to exclude all others from their possession and use. They are, therefore, incapable of becoming any one's property, for property or ownership essentially involves the exclusion of others.

4. All men have equal rights. Therefore no individual and no generation can rightfully appropriate the land which is given to all. Can the first comer at a banquet turn down all the chairs and refuse to let others share the feast? Can the first who arrives at a theater shut the door and keep all the others out? Surely not. The first to arrive at a banquet can turn back one chair for himself and leave the same right to the next comers. So it is with the land. That one individual or one generation occupies and owns a certain portion of land, works no wrong to those who come after. As men, their rights are equal; they all have precisely the same right to become owners, the same right to till the land. But one generation, by its own positive exertion and labor has established a right to certain limits or secrete objects to which the next generation can l

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TOO COLD OR TOO OLD.

The mugwump press have begun to review John Sherman's merits as a republican candidate for 1888. They admit that he is the best equipped man for the presidency, measured by his knowledge of public affairs; they concede that as secretary of the treasury he enforced only sound ideas of finance; that his record in a long and most responsible legislative career is altogether creditable. The able exponents of the mugwump press grant all this concerning John Sherman and then object to him, not because he is not pure and able both in legislation and administration, but because he, as they assert, has always been unpopular with the republican party that "is under more obligation to him for creditable work done in the service of the country and in the service of his party than any other politician now living."

An accomplished and able statesman, he has been rejected for such men as Hayes, Garfield and Blaine, and while the mugwump press is not ready to say that it would refuse to support him against Cleveland, it implies hostility by thus early seeking to damn him with faint praise. It does not say he is too cold to be elected, but that he is too cold or too unpopular to be nominated.

Another faction of the mugwump party are not content with objecting to Sherman as too cold, but add that he is too old. It is hard to suit our mugwump friends; they did not like Grant; they scoffed at Arthur; they hunted Blaine with a howling pack, whose long gallop never tired until Cleveland was elected. The mugwump party were pleased at first with Hayes, who was as cold as Sherman, because he snubbed and kicked Blaine, Chandler and Conkling at every chance and because he pretended to write civil service reform over the shutters of the White house, but before Hayes finished his term there were no mugwumps so poor as to do him reverence. When Blaine and Grant were beaten in 1880 and Garfield nominated the mugwumps were delighted. Garfield was described as the finest scholar in politics that had been president since John Quincy Adams; he was hailed as a civil service reformer; he was patted on the back when he and Blaine hailed that brave bear, Conkling; but to-day the mugwump press confesses that Garfield was a failure as an administrator. When Arthur succeeded he was derisively hooted at by the mugwumps; when he sincerely and in perfect good faith executed the civil service policy, to which Hayes and Garfield only rendered lip service and nominal support, the mugwumps, while admitting his administrative abilities, never advocated his renomination, although it was a clear choice between him and Blaine. When Blaine was nominated the mugwumps could not pretend that he was too cold, or too old, or that he was not an abler man and a finer scholar in politics than Garfield, but they declared their doubts in the purity of his political record and supported Cleveland, who was what is termed an unknown on the turf, and was a nobody in particular without any public record worth citing, and without any private record that any sane friend dared cite. To-day when Sherman is suggested the mugwumps, who are nothing when not critical, are obliged to confess that Sherman is an able legislator and administrator; that he is not "bull-headed," like Grant, nor arrogant, like Conkling, nor the incarnation of insipidity, like Hayes, nor effusively insincere and inefficient, like Garfield, nor a "New York politician," like Arthur, nor a magnetic genius of the machine, like Blaine, nor a bitter partisan, like Edmunds, nor a maledorous accident, like Cleveland; and yet the mugwump is not satisfied with Sherman because he is too cold and too old. The mugwump mind has the critical breadth of Mr. Pickwick who objected to Mr. Tupman appearing as a bandit in a short jacket at a fancy dress party, "You are too old, sir; and you are too fat." The Pickwickian mugwump tells John Sherman he is too cold and too old.

The charge of coldness is not worth considering when high public capacity and unspotted public virtue have been granted; but the objection on the score of age is worthy of discussion. Sherman will be 66 in 1889; he comes of a long-lived, hardy stock; he is a man of thin, muscular habit; of wiry frame and iron constitution; his well ordered life and abstemious diet have preserved his vitality so perfectly that to-day Sherman is a younger man at 64 than most men are at 55. If Jackson, a war broken soldier, who had led a life of extraordinary exposure, who had been more than once severely wounded, was not too old to take a second term when he was 66, and give the nation such vigorous service that he could have had a third term, the objection to Sherman, a far more admirably preserved man than Jackson at his age, on the score of years is not well taken. Senator Edmunds is but 59 years of age, but in mental energy, and capacity to endure continuous intellectual labor, Sherman is as young to-day as he, and in bodily vigor and elasticity Sherman is the younger man of the two. Sherman may be too conscientious and upright a man in his public action to have any magnetic attraction for the mass of political managers, who generally make nominations for the people. In that sense he may be too cold to get the nomination, but he is not too cold to get the full party vote; and if he was elected he would not be too old to make a most able, energetic and prudent president.

PETROLEUM IN RUSSIA.

Our consular agent at Batoum, a great fortified seaport and naval depot of Russia, on the Black sea, reports that petroleum is found in such quantities in the Baku district as to threaten serious competition to the American product. The town of Baku is situated on the Caspian sea, 160 miles east of Batoum, with which it is connected by rail. Baku, in 1870, had but 12,000 people, but the petroleum industry has increased it to over 60,000. The government revenue from petroleum from 1821 to 1825 was a little more than $10,000. The annual production rose from 720,000 gallons in 1862 to 3,500,000 gallons in 1870. Up to 1873 the business was a government monopoly, and was subject to a heavy excise tax, which, from 1873 to 1877, amounted to $1,000,000 on a product of 200,000,000 gallons. The monopoly was abolished in 1873, and the excise tax in 1877.

The area of the sure oil producing territory of the Baku district is limited, being only three or four square miles. The average cost of drilling a well from 700 to 1000 feet is about $12,000, and this does not include the cost of the land. The length of time required to drill a well is from three months to three years, but six to eight months is the average time. The 164 active wells of this district produced 31,000 barrels per day during the year 1885. If these wells were regularly pumped daily, as in America, the daily production would amount to 58,600 barrels. Some of the spouting wells are exceedingly productive. One flowed the full size of an 8 inch pipe steadily for years, and its total production was over 1,800,000 barrels. Another spouting well, for the first nine days, produced 50,000 barrels per day, and its total production for thirty-two days was over 900,000 barrels. Another produced 100,000 barrels in fifteen days. These spouting wells all stopped flowing abruptly, owing to the collapse of the pipe at the bottom of the well. Some wells produce for years, while others last but a few days. The aggregate production of twenty-two wells in eight months was over 7,600,000 barrels, an average of more than 345,000 barrels each.

From the reservoirs the crude oil is pumped through fourteen pipe lines a distance of eight miles, to the refineries on the shore of the Caspian sea. The aggregate daily capacity of the pipe lines is about 100,000 barrels. The price of crude oil at the wells at present ranges from 2 1-10 cents to 8 5-5 cents per barrel, of forty-two gallons. Some sales have recently been made, for next year's delivery, at 4 cents per barrel, at the wells.

The total output of refined oil and other petroleum products from Baku in 1885 was 306,250,095 gallons, of which 35,000,000 gallons were exported, against but 2,000,000 gallons in 1883. Owing to the number of holidays in Russia and the impossibility of doing anything in the winter months, two hundred working days are a fair estimate for the year. The great market for Russian petroleum is Russia, where it is protected from American competition by a prohibitory tariff. The Russian markets are reached by water transportation via the Caspian sea and the Volga river to the eastern terminal of the Russian railways, by which it is distributed all over Russia in tank cars, each holding about 3300 gallons. The number of these cars in service upon the Russian railways is nearly 3500 north and south of the Caucasus. Up to 1883 all petroleum products were shipped from Baku by water, but the completion of the Trans-Caucasian railway provided another outlet to the Black sea. From the port of Batoum six steamers, with a carrying capacity of 50,000,000 gallons a year, run to Odessa, Antwerp, Trieste and Hamburg, and three more will soon add 15,000,000 gallons to this total export via the Black sea. The price charged by the railway for transporting oil 560 miles from Baku to Batoum is, including yard charges, about 1¾ cents per gallon. A pipe line from Baku to Batoum is talked of, but it would cost at least $10,000,000, and is not likely to be very soon undertaken.

Although the oil is protected by a duty of 11 to 12 cents a gallon, owing to bad management and ruinous competition among themselves the Russian manufacturers of petroleum products have reaped no profit in the past two years, and refined oil is worth at Baku but 1 2-5 to 1 4-5 cents a gallon leaving no margin of profit for either producer or refiner. An English company has commenced to drill a test well for petroleum about thirty miles northeast of Batoum, and should it prove a successful search this new field would prove a very serious thing for the American trade to compete with, as it would save all the expense of the 550 miles of railway transportation across the Caucasus from Baku on the Caspian to Batoum on the Black sea.

THE FALL OF PETERSBURG.

Twenty-two years ago to-day the army of the Potomac under Grant broke through the lines of Lee before Petersburg and possessed itself so completely of his entrenchments that the great Confederate commander evacuated during the night his works and began that famous retreat which ended at Appomattox. The result was doubtless no surprise to either Grant or Lee. Sherman was at Goldsboro, N. C., with 100,000 veterans facing not more than 35,000 men under Johnston. Grant with 120,000 faced Lee, who had but 70,000 men to defend his entrenchments, thirty miles in length, before Richmond and Petersburg. Lee, as shown by his correspondence published since the war, knew that further fighting was hopeless after Sherman reached Columbia without opposition, and he knew that his men were hopeless of success. The wreck of Hood's army and the advance of Sherman had left the entire Confederacy defenseless, save where Lee, in Virginia, and Johnston, in North Carolina, were still making a heroic stand against superior numbers. February 24 Lee reported to Davis that hundreds of his best North Carolina troops were deserting nightly, and on the 2d of March he wrote Grant proposing to meet him to discuss the closing of the war by a military convention. The 25th of March a formidable sortie was made against Grant's right but was repulsed with severe loss. Sheridan with 10,000 cavalry and 12,000 infantry struck at Lee's right and rear, and on April 1 after two hours hard fighting fairly hit off Lee's right flank at Five Forks under Pickett. As Lee sadly remarked when he got the news, "The lines have been stretched so thin that they have broken at last." The next morning at daylight a general assault was made all along the line, but the Sixth corps, that was only 700 yards distant from the enemy's works, was chiefly relied upon to go through the hostile lines. Gen. Getty, whose division led the column, was the author of the plan of assault, and the corps, 14,000 strong, was formed with Getty's second division in three lines by brigades, each brigade closed in mass by battalion, with the first division on the right and the third division on the left, in right and left rear echelon by brigade. Getty's keen military eye had discovered several days before a small opening in the abatis which had been made by the enemy for their teams to come out and get wood, and at this vulnerable point he launched his men. The hostile pickets were but 300 yards away, and at 4 o'clock in the morning firing broke out between the pickets and the enemy's fire took serious effect on the massed troops lying on the ground or moving into position in the darkness, and threatened for a moment to spoil the plan by precipitating the fighting; but though many casualties took place, the officers held their commands quiet, and the men took their wounds without uttering a word or firing a shot. At 4:30 the signal gun was fired; the great column charged, and in face of a terrible artillery fire along a front of half a mile, rushed through the abatis, dashed through the ditch and poured over the works in a resistless torrent. This success, supported as it was by the 24th corps under Gen. Gibbon, who stormed Fort Gregg in the second line of works, after a fearful fight, decided the fate of the day. Humphreys, with the 2d corps, and Parke with the 9th corps, successfully assailed on the extreme left and right, and Lee at once informed Davis that he would be obliged to abandon his lines that night. A. P. Hill fell this day under the fire of Getty's skirmishers. The Confederacy fell that day; for the rest of the campaign was a mere hunt of the gallant quarry, that, crippled and bleeding at every pore, gallantly faced its pursuers like a wounded buffalo bravely standing at bay before a circle of hungry wolves. Of the eminent actors in this last great campaign not many sleep on either side. Grant, Lee, Meade, Ord, Custer, Warren, Humphreys, Weitzel, Griffin, Pickett and Ewell have all gone. Sheridan, Wright, Gibbon, Crook, Parke, Ayres, Merritt, Miles, Crawford, Longstreet, Gordon, Kershaw and Field survive. The line of battle in it is last great assault extended from Fort Sedgwick on the right to Five Forks on the left, a distance of fifteen miles, so that Grant could see only a small portion of his lines,—very different from many of the great battles of Europe where the commanding officer could often sweep the whole field with a binocular. This campaign that ended at Appomattox April 9, 1865 really began at the Wilderness May 5, 1864, and cost Grant from first to last over 50,000 men; but it was worth all it cost.

HORACE LYMAN.

On Thursday night, at Forest Grove, passed away one who was truly of the salt of the earth. An earnest, patient and faithful worker through a long life in devoted ministry; a man of scholarly attainments, directed always to the best purposes; an instructor whom all his scholars loved; a man who performed every duty that life laid upon him with a cheerful and ready devotion; one who, as teacher, minister, monitor, father and friend, exerted an influence that blessed all are and him—such was Horace Lyman, who now has entered into his rest.

The Lymans of New England were among the earliest settlers in America, and the family tree has spread till its branches are now innumerable. Horace Lyman was born in Massachusetts seventy-two years ago. He graduated at Williams college in that state in the year 1832, was educated for the ministry and came to Oregon in 1849. It was he who founded the First Congregational church of Portland and he was its first regular pastor. A few years later he went to Polk county, where he served as a professor in the La Creole academy, and from there, in the year 1857 he removed to Forest Grove to accept a professorship in Pacific university. He was professor of ancient languages there, then of mathematics and still later of English literature and rhetoric. During all these years of educational work he did also much ministerial labor. Careless of his own comfort, he heard only the voice of duty, traveling in inclement weather on horseback and even on foot to preach in places where, in those days, was no regular pastoral supply. Living good in a quiet unobtrusive and yet earnest and manly way was with him the luxury of life. He acted always as one might who realized that he was "ever in his great task-master's eye." And yet his duties were not tasks to him; they were performed in a spirit that relieved them of that character, and his life was an example of how much force may be combined with gentleness in steady and unceasing purpose. He did nothing for himself; all his work was for others. He was one of those rare spirits who "do good by stealth and blush to find it fame."

The life of such a man is a possession forever. The world's debt to such men is immense. The work done by these men of culture, conscience and duty, who have helped to found new states, and have willingly exchanged the life of ease they might have had elsewhere for the privations, labors and hardships attendant upon the work of laying the foundations and spreading the influences of religion and learning in new places, is beyond all praise and reward. And of all who have devoted themselves to this work there has been no purer, no more earnest spirit than Horace Lyman.

A DEAD JESTER.

John G. Saxe, the poet, whose death was announced yesterday, was twenty-five years ago a man of considerable fame and popularity as a clever writer of light, humorous and satirical verses. He was born in Vermont in 1816; was educated as a lawyer; but soon left his profession for journalism, and edited a democratic weekly paper for several years. Then he became a regular contributor to the *Knickerbocker* magazine; wrote for the Boston *Post* and the New York *Ledger*, and achieved great pecuniary success in the lecture field. Nearly twenty years ago Mr. Saxe received severe injuries in a railroad accident from which he never recovered, and he has since lived in retirement, seeing nobody but his family. His talent for humorous verse making was neither wide nor deep; it was a taste rather than a talent. Any bright, witty man, who had diligently studied the humorous poetry of Hood, Barham, Byron and Praed ought to easily do what Saxe did, viz: Produce clever imitations of the voices of these great masters of the art of making jests, merry or bitter, in rhyme. Saxe had a gift of rhyming; the kind of quick knowledge and apprehension of the affinities of words that is necessary to a professional punster, but of poetic imagination he had nothing, and his best things are but an echo of the light work of men who were poets by divine right, not professional jesters by choice.

Hood, who was a man of genius even when he jested, was poor all his days and died of overwork at 46. Saxe fed on flood, absorbed a good deal and appropriated outright when he could not absorb and assimilate, and he got rich from the rapid sales of his "wooden nutmeg" imitations of Hood's work. Nature had given Saxe no sentiment, such as we find blended with the fine humor and wit of Holmes and Lowell, and he knew it and was wise enough not to fly high. He knew that he could not make people cry and he was content to make them laugh, and for twenty-five years he did it successfully. He was a popular poet at college commencements; he was a popular lecturer in those communities where a man who can make a cheap pun is greater than he that taketh a city. There is no stronger proof that life is a hard grind for most of us than the readiness with which persons of respectable intelligence will laugh over the horse play of a minstrel show and the dreary, limping wit of the professional "funny" man in the press or the lecture field. Saxe marketed his stolen or absorbed wit and humor, his threadbare "original" quips and puns, and must have received a large sum, for he was able to live comfortably for a number of years in Brooklyn and Albany after he had become, through partial paralysis, unable to use his pen. A professional "funny man," he was subject all his life to fits of hypochondria, and for many years his gloom and suffering have been such that those who remember him in his prime, when his "flashes of merriment were wont to set the table in a roar" will be glad to think that poor Yorick is at last out of pain.

It is one of the strange contradictions of life that those who have made it their peculiar business to make the world laugh before the footlights do more crying than laughing behind the scenes. Cervantes, Moliere, Rabelais, Pope, Goldsmith, Fielding, Byron, Lamb, Scott, Hood, Heine, George Eliot and Thackeray, who have all strongly moved the world to laughter, all drank deeply of trouble and of tears before they tasted of death, and Saxe, the pioneer of our professional "funny men" in literature and the lecture field, did not lead a merry life. In his best days he was a hypochondriac, and after accident had deprived him of his mental working power his life was a burden to him for many years. The "funny men" of the stage are seldom blithe and happy fellows in private life. The fellow who has the happiest and most contented life is seldom one whose chief public fame is that of a man who has made the world laugh; the man who makes the world laugh longest and loudest is not generally the man who laughs. In the cell of his private life not seldom the comedian is the man of many sorrows, who worships at the shrine of what De Quincey called "Our Lady of Pain." It is a fact worth recalling that among the few poems that Saxe ever wrote that showed any capacity higher than that of light fun and satire was one entitled "I'm Growing Old," whose closing lines refer to death as an hour when

> Those heavenly mansions do unfold,
> Where all are glad and none may sigh,
> I'm growing old.

IOWA'S "TEMPERANCE MARTYR."

There is great commotion in Iowa over the trial of the alleged murderers of Rev. George C. Haddock. Indeed it may be said, almost without exaggeration, that the state is on fire. Mr. Haddock was an earnest and aggressive prohibitionist at Sioux City. He had given up his pulpit and was acting as agent for the prohibitory league in collecting evidence against liquor sellers who were defying the law. By the liquor league he was denounced as a spy and informer, and some of the men whom he had been instrumental in prosecuting formed a conspiracy to kill him. Finally the threat was executed. He was shot down on the street, it was asserted and believed, by salaried murderers. At first no certain clue could be had, but at length some of the parties began to talk. The investigations went on, till those who were pressed by growing danger accused others as principals in the crime—that is, with having incited it. The cases now on trial at Sioux City, and it creates an excitement never before equaled in Iowa.

It was a most heinous murder. Throughout the state it intensified the prohibition feeling to a degree unexampled. In Sioux City, in particular, it created a storm of indignation against the liquor business which has done more to put it down than the prohibitionists had, this crime not been committed, would ever have been able to accomplish. The murder of Haddock has done more to push on the cause for which he stands as a martyr than a thousand living Haddocks could have done in the course of their natural lives. If the testimony of the accomplices and instruments of the murder shall prove to accord with the confessions which some of them are said to have made, convictions will certainly be secured, and this hideous murder will be punished as it deserves.

As soon as the Tennessee legislature heard that Gov. Taylor had been burned in effigy for favoring federal aid to popular education it passed a bill increasing the school fund of the state from $2,000,000 to $5,000,000. The legislature did well. No more vicious bill was ever pressed upon congress than the so-called educational bill, championed by that arrant demagogue, Senator Blair, of New Hampshire. The "free lunch" philosophy of this bill is fairly described by the St. Paul *Pioneer-Press* when it says: "The champions of that measure are Senator Blair, a group of school teachers, and some Southern communities who are wealthy and fully able to educate all their children of school age, but who are not willing to put their hands in their pockets and foot the bills. They want the government to do that."

Canada, with a population of about five millions, has a debt of $200,000,000, with assets claimed to amount to $120,000,000, but returning no interest. With twelve times the population of Canada the United States carries not much more than six times its debt. The average rate of interest on the Canadian debt is 5½ per cent. on bonds that were disposed of at a discount of 5 per cent. to 12 per cent. This makes the interest burden equivalent to about 5¾ per cent., or nearly double that now paid by the United States. The finance minister will propose to parliament a new loan of $50,000,000, of which $30,000,000 will be devoted to paying off a portion of the present debt. Though it is hoped to dispose of this loan at par at a rate of 4 per cent., the increase of the interest burden would still be about $1,500,000.

The new Transcaspian railway, which is to be extended through Bokharn to Tashkend, will open a large cotton producing district to the commerce of the world. In Bokhara there are 30,000,000 pounds of cotton waiting to be carried to Russia by this new railway. The cotton growing district on the river Murghab, controlled by Moscow capital, is estimated at 1,000,000 acres, and a Russian company has taken a large tract of land on the Amu Daria for cotton culture. Steam cotton presses are to be erected at several points along the line of this new railway.

The New York *Star* thus defines the position of the democratic party of its state on the high license bill:

> The Sun, the *Herald* and the *World* set out to win democratic votes for the high license bill. They argued, they threatened, they entreated. The town was full of their eloquence. And they won a famous victory. They got just on democratic vote, and that one was from Schoharie. Not a democratic vote from New York or Brooklyn or Buffalo. Just one wee little bit of a vote from Schoharie. And now, good neighbors of the Sun and the *Herald*, you may as well understand the situation. The democrats of the state will not have this law.

In old times the great drawback to the progress of Oregon was the notion entertained by nearly all persons that they would make as much money as they could and go elsewhere to enjoy it. This notion has now measurably disappeared, and in its stead has come the notion that we must wait for all progress in industry and business till people come from the East to make investments and boom things. Instead of depending on ourselves we depend on others, and it is bad business. Even the gods may get tired of helping those who don't help themselves.

Gov. Hill of New York, it is predicted, will veto the high license bill. The *World* says "it is apparent that all the saloon keepers expect him to veto it." This the *World* deprecates. The *Evening Post* (mugwump) says "it will require but little investigation for the governor to discover that outside the liquor dealers and their representatives in politics there is nobody else who will ask him to veto the bill or who will sustain him in such a veto."

A report from Sitka states that McCafferty, the superseded collector of customs, is expecting his successor. It may be well to remark just here that McCafferty owes his supersedure to his approval of the brutal outrage upon the Chinese in Alaska last year, which was witnessed by Chief Justice Waite of the United States supreme court and Gov. Hoadly of Ohio.

Ex-Senator Slater, of Union county, and Hon. George A. Waggoner, of Benton, who have been appointed railroad commissioners, are very good men for the work. The former represents Eastern Oregon and the latter the Willamette valley, and both are honest and intelligent. It is understood that the clerk will come from Southern Oregon.

Pennsylvania's new law to tax the sale of liquors fixes the tax in cities having over 20,000 population at $500; in other cities at $200, and in burrough towns at $150. These rates are not very high, but they are higher than any ever before in operation in that state.

It is really a thing to be glad about that the man who shot at the editor of the Tacoma *News* used a bean shooter instead of a pistol. Perhaps he thought a bean shooter was a sufficient weapon with which to kill the editor of that insignificant paper.

All interior points now get as cheap a rate on wool as Portland does, but the rate for all is a great deal higher than it was before the interstate commerce law came along to introduce reform and grant relief to the country.

Gen. Jasper Johnson is said to be wandering about through the wilds of Alaska, unable to find anybody disposed to recognize him as deputy collector of customs.

"THE DEPARTMENT OF INJUSTICE."

Under this heading the New York *Herald* contributes the following to the discussion of the recent decision of the attorney-general of the United States, by which Guilford Miller has been evicted from lands claimed by the Northern Pacific railroad. There has been much discussion of the case through our columns by Mr. Paul Schulze and others, and this article from the *Herald*, which was the leading editorial in the issue of that paper on the 25th of March, will be read with interest:

> We beg the president, while he is considering the Garland-Jenks opinion turning poor Guilford Miller off his farm to give it to the Northern Pacific railroad, to take a good look at the man who by the use of the meanest machine methods deceived Mr. Cleveland into making him attorney-general.
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> If he will do this he will see clearly that this Mr. Garland is the mere tool and servant of corporations, and that he is a man unfit to be a part of a reform president's cabinet. To help the president to a just conclusion we will give him to-day a single instance of Mr. Garland's readiness to serve corporations.
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> Mr. Cleveland and everybody else remembers the scandal about the so-called "Hoar Pacific railroad funding bill." This bill was prepared in the senate judiciary committee, and was reported to the senate from that august committee, with its guarantee that it was a right, honest and fair to the people. When it was, at the desire of an inquisitive senator, referred to the secretary of the treasury, it was discovered that one of its sections permitted the Pacific railroads to pay the government many millions less than they justly owed, while another section allowed them to so manipulate their debt as to enable them actually to bring the government in debt to them. Of course, when this accidental discovery was made at the treasury department, the bill was heard of no more.
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> Now, then, if the president will make the necessary inquiry he will discover that his present attorney general, Garland, was the responsible factor of this swindling bill in the interest of the land grant railroads and against the interests and rights of the people and the treasury. Mr. Cleveland will find that Garland, then a senator and member of the judiciary committee, was of the sub-committee which palmed this bill off on the committee and on the senate, and we are assured that Garland wrote the report recommending it.
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> Due to his connections, this same Garland now gives it as his opinion that a farmer settling on railroad land fifty miles from the North-ern Pacific railroad, making his home there since 1881, shall be driven off and his farm given to the corporation.
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> While Mr. Cleveland is making the inquiry we suggest to him that we hope he will ask also how it is that when the law officer of the land office gave an opinion in favor of Guilford Miller, and when the law officer of the interior department gave a similar opinion, this case, vital to several thousand settlers, should not have rested there; why, with curious persistence, it was still further referred to the department of injustice, where two men, Garland, known to favor corporations, and Jenks, notorious through his own repeated declarations that the public domain ought to be got rid of as quickly as possible, were asked to sit in final judgment upon the poor settlers whose rights had been declared good by the concurrent judgments of both the law officers of the interior departments?
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> This Guilford Miller case affects several thousand families. It is not going to rest with the Garland-Jenks opinion. Our Washington correspondent sends us elsewhere another instance of the greed and bad faith of the corporation to which Garland and Jenks, contrary to the opinion of the two experienced law officers of the interior department, now insist on giving Guilford Miller's farm. Our correspondent sends us also an interview with Judge L. E. Payson, member of congress from Illinois, whose mastery of the public land questions is known and acknowledged. Judge Payson declares that the reservation of indemnity land is without authority of law, and adds that Secretary Teller acknowledged this to him.
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> We recommend the Knights of Labor and all organizations of farmers and workingmen all over the country to pay attention to this matter, and to unite in a peremptory demand for justice. It may be that a small farmer cannot stand up against two hundred million dollars of corporate capital, but at any rate it is worth while for the people of this country to make an effort, and see whether the Garland-Jenks combine is too strong for them.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

Allen Thorndike Rice, of the *North American Review*, has become the owner of the silk coat, waistcoat and trousers and the gold knee and shoe buckles which George Washington wore when he took the inaugural oath of first president of the United States.

John A. Rocke, the republican nominee for mayor of Chicago, was born in Utica, N. Y., in August 1841. At the age of 16 he came to New York and was apprenticed to a pattern maker. He moved to Chicago in 1867, where he has set a high standard pattern of industry and sobriety.

George C. Gorham, formerly secretary of the senate has been engaged to write a biography of the great war secretary, Edwin M. Stanton. Mr. Stanton left a great deal of unpublished history of interest and importance, which will be given the world in this biography. Mr. Gorham hopes to complete the work in two years.

Harriet Beecher Stowe has two daughters, by no means youthful, who have never married. They are both exceedingly retiring in manner and are seldom met in society. They are sometimes seen on the streets of Hartford, each leading a pet dog. Though scholarly and well read, they have produced nothing in literature which has attracted attention.

Mrs. Logan was requested to send the bureau of engraving and printing a photograph of the late senator, to be used in the book of eulogies delivered in congress after the death of her husband, and furnished one that represented him as he appeared twenty years ago. This is not satisfactory to the officials, and the publication of the book is delayed.

Against Speaker Carlisle's recent utterance that "centralization means inevitable dissolution," we may place the enactment by a democratic congress and the approval by a democratic president of a measure, in the interstate commerce bill, which takes a longer strides toward centralization than any other act of federal legislation ever attempted.

Of the amount of silver in existence $4,000,000,000 is estimated to be in coin and bullion, $1,100,000,000 in watches and the remainder in plate, jewelry and ornaments. Of the amount in existence $2,745,000,000 is estimated to have been obtained from North America, $730,000,000 from South America, $63,000,000 from Europe, $47,000,000 from Africa and $31,000,000 from Asia, including Australia, New Zealand and Oceanica. The amount of the precious metals in existence is estimated to be $13,973,000,000.

James H. Marr, chief clerk in the first assistant postmaster general's office, and Judge James Lawrenson, have been continuously in the service of the postoffice department for more than fifty-seven years. The phenomenal length of service of these two men has been for years appropriately recognized. In Mr. Marr's case the salary has been fixed by special act of congress at $600 per year more than any other man would get in the same position, his name being every year specifically mentioned in the appropriation.

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MEETING NOTICES.

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Plasterers' Union, Willamette Lodge No. 1.—A special meeting is called to meet Saturday evening, April 2, at 8 o'clock, in Knights of Harmony hall. All members are requested to be present, as business of importance is on hand. By order M. J. KELLEY, President.

Laborers' Protective Union.—The members of the above union are requested to attend a meeting at their hall on Sunday, 2:30 A. M., full attendance desired. By order OWEN CARRAHER, President.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral of the late John Cahill will take place Sunday, at 2 o'clock from A. P. DeLap's undertaking rooms, Second and Morrison streets. The plasterers' and tile layers' societies are requested to attend.

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Nor are they conscious that their skies
Are not the heaven's, but her face,
Her hair, and mild blue eyes

There, in the downy meshes pinned
Such sweet illusions haunt their rest,
They think her breath the fragrant wind,
And tremble on her breast,

As if close to her heart, they heard
A captive secret slip its cell,
And with desire were sudden stirred
To find a voice and tell!

—Frank Dempster Sherman

A BROKEN SILENCE.

BY EVA V. MCGASSON, AUTHOR OF "AN ALTAR CHOST."

[Written for The Oregonian.]

"The'dore, tell yer paw dinner's set."

"Yes'm, should I tell him to hurry?" asked the boy, with his eyes on a pan of biscuits just removed from the oven. He was a handsome child of seven years, altogether unlike the stout woman bustling about the kitchen intent upon preparing the midday meal.

She was young but her appearance was not youthful, dull and stolid, her face was relieved from stupidity by a firm, well-shaped mouth and a square chin, that gave her a look of inflexible determination, and Mrs. John Tolliver's character amply demonstrated the sincerity of these outward and visible signs.

She was called "set" by her acquaintances, and she prided herself on "knowin' her own mind and stickin' to her opinions."

She had been a very plain girl, and the people of the little Kentucky town had never recovered from the surprise she had occasioned them by marrying John Tolliver a thrifty young merchant of the place and a man especially distinguished as being the "handsomest feller in the county an' the likeliest."

Clayville folks "lowed that Sallie Bell Jarvis hed jes' set herself out to hev John Tolliver an' they wan't no chance fer 'im mo'n a bird with a cat."

Not that the present Mrs. Tolliver was at all feline in her methods of procedure, she was open and above board in all her dealings.

Having discovered herself to be deeply in love with John Tolliver, she had deliberately determined to be his wife.

He being of a dreamy nature averse to calculation, and too kindly natured to harm a fly, had not resisted Miss Jarvis' calm appropriation of him, in fact, he rather liked it, there being something strong and self-contained about the woman that satisfied his own quikness, upon finding himself engaged, he had wondered a little as to how it had happened, and had submitted with some gratification.

For several years this oddly assorted pair had belied all unfriendly speculation concerning them.

Folks who "give 'm jes' two year," were surprised to find them a devoted couple at the end of that period.

Moreover they had an object of mutual adoration in their child, named Theodore, as being worthy an appellation of dignified sound, however uniformly mispronounced.

Theodore was as fine looking as his father, he was "likely" too, and his infatuated parents cherished high hopes of his future.

His natural gifts should be finely developed by education, and Kentucky need have no fears for her future, having Theodore Tolliver's name as an earnest of greatness to be.

When this child of promise had reached his fourth year a serious occasion arose, he was old enough to attend Sabbath school, and the question presenting itself was this: Should he go to the time honored Presbyterian church or to the tiny meeting house where a small band of enthusiasts were struggling to establish a foothold for Universalism?

Mrs. Tolliver put her foot down with her resolution firmly fixed beneath it. "Her folks hed been Presbyterian from 'way back, she herself hed joined when she was knee high to a duck, and she 'lowed that no child of hern shoud ever show face inside of no Universalist church."

Mr. Tolliver had agreed with his wife on every subject that had arisen during their married life, because generally it was easier to agree than to establish an argument to the contrary.

But here he had an unalterable belief.

"No child or mine," said he "shall git his head full o' ideas about hell and devils with pitchforks, and bottomless pits filled with fire hot white hot, and people a-burnin' in 'em forever!"

Mr. Tolliver's mind had been inflamed at an early period of life, by some of the ingenuous and highly colored pictures of the infernal regions, which in past years were wont to insure the faith of the faithful and the liveliest apprehension of the sinner.

Perhaps a vivid recollection of his own childish dreams, enlivened by these master pieces of the graphic art conduced to his determination in Theodore's case.

The question thus became the one topic of conversation in the Tolliver household, and many and long were the controversies which it engendered.

Finally, after one longer and louder than its predecessors, matters reached a crisis.

Rising from her place Mrs. Tolliver delivered her diction, unheeded the fun workbox fell from her lap, spreading its motley contents over the kitchen floor and furnishing a rare treat to a white kitten belonging to Theodore.

"I want you to understand" she began, her voice almost inarticulate with wrath, "that I'll never speak to you in this world again, tell you take back them words you spoke agin my church."

"Don't you fret yerself that I will" responden her husband equally angry.

"It'll be a long day and a cold day tell I do, an' don't ye open yer head to me nuther tell yer ready fer The dore to go whar I tell 'm to go!"

Thus the matter began. On these few words, uttered in the brief madness of wrath, John Tolliver and his wife based their future conduct.

Three years passed by and in all that time they had not spoken, save through their child.

He, poor little fellow, had come to regard his parents' mode of life as nothing unusual. Clayville had smiled at first, and afterwards had accepted the affair as an established fact, worthy of small comment in the face of more recent subjects for gossip.

John Tolliver worked as hard as ever for his family, his wife left nothing undone for his material comfort.

To-day when Theodore asked if it would be well for his father to hurry to dinner, she glanced hastily at the table to see that everything was ready, before she replied: "Yes sor, I'll hev to be sorry fer the hurt that in him got done, however I looked at, pears like this hyere often takes mighty fast on a person."

Theodore had already danced away in the direction of his father's seat returning after a short distance from the door, and very soon the two appeared. Theodore skipping his father's hand, and full of merriment.

Mr. Tolliver proceeded to wash his hands in a tin basin on the back porch before seating himself at the table. "Pour out a cup of coffee, and as he remarked to his son as it entered into an engagement with a breakfast of cold pork and corn bread. Having conquered in the struggle he raised a piece aloft on the two-pronged carving fork and said: "The'dore, ask yer maw if she'll hev steak?"

Mrs. Tolliver paused in her occupation of pouring out coffee, and, passing her plate replied: "Tell yer paw I'll hev a bit off that rare end."

Theodore was then helped, but Mr. Tolliver did not take any himself.

He broke open a biscuit and laid it on his plate in an absent sort of way, then he poured his coffee out and sat regarding the brim mug saucer with a dreamy gaze.

His wife was observing him narrowly. Presently he turned to Theodore, who was eating with the calm philosophy of seven years and his knife.

"Little chap, what'd you say to paw's go in 'away fer a spell?"

"Where at paw?" asked the boy.

"Well—out to Arkansaw—to a town that's been a-boom, trade's mighty dull hyer, sir—mighty."

Mrs. Tolliver had stopped eating. She was still making a feint of drinking coffee from the extreme point of her spoon with noisy energy, but her hand seemed tremulous.

"Tell yer maw that—pervidin' I go—things ain't nohow settled yet—I 'low to leave her enough to keep you'n her, you'n her'll hev a livin', sure."

For a moment silence fell on the three. Theodore regarding his father with open eyes of interest.

Then Mrs. Tolliver spoke slowly.

"The dore I'd like fer you to tell yer paw that I don't nowise see why he talks at Arkansaw Clayville. Tell'm I reckon he's tired o' things such as they be hyere, but that nothing can't be differed 'less he's willin' to give up his feelins."

"Taint no manner o' use The'dore," said Mr. Tolliver "fer yer maw to talk about feelins'. Things is no matter how they got there."

"Home ain't no home to me all 'count as to make money for my boy—that's all he got to live for now."

Mrs. Tolliver had her plate standing on its rim, while with her knife she carefully scraped up every vestige of its contents, for like Mistress Gilpin, she was a thrifty soul she performed this duty with more than her usual conscientiousness, but her face had grown ashen in hue.

"If I go, you'll write to your paw, won't ye, The'dore?" asked his father, slowly moving half a biscuit through a lake of gravy on his plate."

"You bet I will! But I don't want you to go 'way, paw—or could'n you take me an' maw along? I could be plotin' I 'bout reckon I could tend store, paw—I'm a-growin' mighty fast these times!"

His father bent on him a look of unutterable pride and love.

"You wouldn't want to put out and leave your maw 'thout no man about the place, would ye, The'dore?" he asked.

"Well, no," mused the boy. "'Taint to be thought of," he added.

In a few weeks the departure thus broached was an accomplished fact. The store at Clayville was in new hands, and John Tolliver was seeking wider scope for his energies in Arkansas.

Things went on much as usual in his former home, his wife performed her duties as of old, but Clayville observers noted that "Mrs. Tolliver was a gittin' gray mighty soon and mighty fast."

Theodore wrote to his father constantly, and his letters were thought models of proficiency by the father who received them, and the mother who read them first, but who scrupulously refrained from dictating a word.

Thus nearly a year had passed, toward its end bringing to Theodore, as to most of the other children of Clayville, an attack of scarlet fever. Speedily the disease developed and it soon became apparent that the boy was in a dangerous state, warranting the announcement of the physician's gravest fears.

"I should advise that Mr. Tolliver be at once summoned," he said.

The stricken mother seemed deprived of sense by the intensity of her anguish, yet she realized that her husband must be at once notified, and she staggered to Theodore's little writing desk to prepare the dreadful message.

Here lay his school books, and among them his slate, where he had written the first copy of a letter to his father that was to have been re written upon paper when completed, it would never be finished now nor transferred to paper, and the mother's eyes were wet as she read the lines:

Dear Father I hope you will come home or I should like to live in Arkansas if I could get to go there. our cow has a calf and we have three pigs but we do not know where they are at. I would like to see you very much. Little Sonnie Jones which you know is sick of scarlet fever. I would like to see you I reckon so would ma. dear Pa have you bout a horse yet I wish you were home or me an ma there. I am getting along at school only I have a cold. Cousin Martha has another baby O when will you come home.

There it was broken off, and Mrs. Tolliver's heart echoed the last appeal as she wrote in a tremulous scrawl the message to be telegraphed.

The telegram was sent, also others as no reply was elicited, for it happened that John Tolliver was away from his store on business for a few days, and the ominous pile awaited him on his return. The latest dispatch said, "Theodore cannot live till morning."

Wildly the father rushed to the depot, but he never could remember anything of that fearful journey, save that he could scarcely restrain himself from leaving the snail-like train to dash with supernatural strength over the ground that kept him from his dying child.

At the Clayville station there were friends awaiting him. "Still alive" they said, in answer to his mute question, that was enough, and he darted from among them, reaching his home alone.

On the threshold he heard a woman's sobs, which led him straight to the room where Theodore lay, still breathing—yes he was breathing still! and a prayer went up from the father's heart as he stood unnoticed in the open doorway.

At the bedside, her face buried in the bed linen, knelt Mrs. Tolliver, her form shaking with sobs, even in that moment her husband saw how changed she was.

He came toward the bed, and his wife, unconscious of his presence, wailed forth a bitter cry of desolation. "Oh, my husband, why are you away from me in this hour?"

He fell on his knees beside her, and she flung herself into his outstretched arms, heart to heart at last.

His mother's scream roused the child from his lethargy and he turned his fever-bright eyes upon the two.

"Why it's paw—it's paw," he said, and his eyes closed.

But it was life, not death that had stolen over him, and it was designed that he should come back to the love which hovered over him, aghast with hope and scarcely daring to hope.

With the quick vitality of childhood he soon regained his former brightness and beauty, but his parents had changed as years could scarcely have changed them, yet Clayville's critical voice declared that John Tolliver hadn't fell off none in good looks an' Mrs. Tolliver, if she kep' on improvin' would be handsome by the time she were ready fer specs.

"There's on y one thing I'm set upon" said she, "and that's this hyere. The dore is a goin' to the Universalist meetin house, fer his paw knows best an' if The'dore grows up to be a squar' upright man like his father, I don't ask no more of 'im."

Mr. Tolliver was equally sure of a contrary conviction.

"There ain't nothin' The'dore's to be p'rocluncied from his standpoint "as could rile me in ore'n to hev you set up that yer maw's religion wa'nt good 'nough fer ye what you says to yer-self, says you, 'Whatever my maw does and says is the thing fer me to go by an' if the Presbytery'n church hes made fer her good 'nough fer she is, then (says you) *that's* the church for her son."

In pursuance to these coordinums Master Theodore answered according to his own desires on the subject.

"Susie Green done asked me to go to *her* church, 'n they always hev a picnic in June in a tree at Christmas 'n it's the Methodis', 'n, paw, you tole me never to break a promise to any one, 'n I 'low I'll go with Susie."

And John Tolliver and his wife felt that indeed this was a Daniel come to judgment.

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NEWS OF THE NORTHWEST.

OREGON.

Ocean steamer convention at Coquille City on April 9.

Malheur county will soon be completely organized and ready for business.

Flounders have been scarce up to the present this season, says a Coos bay paper.

A large number of imported cattle have been added to the range of Baker county.

Between The Dalles and Prineville the road is reported in fair traveling condition.

Stock throughout Baker county is doing well on the new bunch grass covering the range.

There is twenty six feet of water in the railroad company's mammoth well at Centerville.

Coos Bay *News*: Soundings on the bar last week showed twenty feet at mid quite half tide.

The Corvallis boys are playing base ball, recruiting up for a match game with some rival club.

Coos river farmers have taken advantage of the fine weather, and much plowing has been done lately.

The third district convention of the W. C. T. U. will be held at Dallas, Polk county, on the 6th and 7th inst.

The country adjacent to Ontario, Malheur county, is especially adapted to fruit growing, says an exchange.

The Washington county lodge I. O. G. T. will convene in Middleton, Lodi 7, April 8, and remain in session two days.

Throughout the Upper Willamette valley farmers are putting in large crops of grain. The acreage promises to be unusually large.

Postal Inspector T. G. Reames, visited the Hillsboro postoffice several days since. The office was found to be in excellent condition.

The road leading to the Pine and Silver mining districts will soon be in good condition for travel, then we may expect a great rush to these camps.

Tramps about The Dalles are again becoming a nuisance. A few days ago fifteen of them skipped out suddenly to avoid working upon the streets.

James W. Nesmith Post, No. 32, G. A. R., of The Dalles, now numbers fifty seven members in good standing, with prospective additions shortly.

Samples of tobacco raised on Burnt river in Baker county have been shown the editor of the *Democrat*, who says it will compare favorable with the best grown in the "Old Dominion."

Prineville paper: We are informed by parties from Summit prairie that Jack Chambers of that place, killed three grizzly bears one day last week, and it "wan't" a good day for bear either.

Charles Metzdorf, of The Dalles, is rapidly recovering from the effects of the wounds received from a shot gun in the hands of Cottingham, and is able to sit up a portion of the time.

John L. Given died at Empire on the 25th inst. He was born at Wales, Maine, February 18, 1834, and came to this coast in 1851, stopping a few years on Puget Sound, when he moved to the bay.

Eugene City paper: Hop growers are giving more careful attention to their vines than for some years past. A big crop and good prices would go a long way toward giving Lane county a real boom.

Oregon City *Enterprise*: A son of A. Sprague, living near Linn's mill, had his leg amputated a few inches above the knee. The operation was made necessary by a scrofulous disease, which was destroying him.

Baker City *Democrat*: Large irrigating ditches or canals are of great importance to that section of the new county near Ontario. The investment would be remunerative to men of capital, thereby opening out thousands of acres of fine agricultural lands.

Archie Murray, of East Camp creek, an extensive horse and cattle raiser of that section, was in Baker City a few days since. He reports a small loss of cattle in his neighborhood the past winter, and stock of all kinds doing well on the bountiful supply of bunch grass on the range.

In the past four years there have been three men shot and killed on the Alsea in Benton. One was the man for whose killing Asa Hurbanks was tried. The second was young Hood, shot accidentally on a hunting party, and the third party is Clark, shot for a bear by Malone recently.

Isn't it about time to agitate the question of building a new court house, asks a Eugene City paper. Lane county is out of debt, and could well afford a $50,000 court house. The old building is a disgrace to so prosperous a county as ours, and we doubt the policy of expending any more money in improving the old one.

During the present week, says the Wasco *Sun*, taxes have been coming in quite freely. The O. R. & N. company having paid their tax, amounting to $11,736 55, last week, and something over $500 of last year's delinquent tax being collected. The sheriff has collected nearly $40,000 in taxes so far this year, and turned the same over to the county treasury.

The Whilson canal will probably be put through right away. It will be the best water power for the cost in the Willamette valley, says the McMinnville *Reporter*. A preliminary survey gives a fall of 20 feet, with very favorable route, about five miles in length. Portland capitalists have expressed a willingness to take stock in the enterprise, without being solicited. They have already been looking over the route.

At a regular meeting of Marshfield Lodge No. 5, Marine Engineers Beneficial association, held last Saturday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: W. O. Phillips, president; Manly Roberts, vice president; Dan Roberts, treasurer; F. Grant, recording secretary; R. Cordes, financial secretary; W. H. Keating, corresponding secretary; D. B. Kearney, chaplain; G. L. Roberts, conductor; B. M. Delaney, doorkeeper.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

At Walla Walla the horse market is getting active.

There are 831 male and female teachers in the territory.

Work has been resumed on the Daisy mine in the Columbia river.

Vancouver baseball players are going to organize for the season.

The Vancouver public schools will be open eight months this year.

There is less than $4000 delinquent taxes in Clarke county this year.

Trout are being caught in the Nowaukum river in large quantities.

Weather is propitious for building and crops, says the Walla Walla *Statesman*.

The territorial teachers' institute will be held at Vancouver on the 9th of June.

Mr. Enbart, a new superintendent for the Indian school at Fort Simcoe has recently arrived.

The body of John Pratt, who has been missed for a long time, was recently found in a creek near Winlock.

Wednesday morning A. P. Bolton fell from a scaffolding at Vancouver and suffered from a fracture of the shoulder blade.

The east end heading of the Stampede tunnel is now 2035 feet, breast 1991 feet. The west end heading is 2005 feet, breast 1968 feet.

Postoffice Inspector Mason was in Vancouver several days ago looking for an excuse to go on the war-path, says the Vancouver *Independent*.

Farmers on the Clarke county plains and higher lands have a good share of their crops in. But little farm work has been done yet on the swale lands.

Judge Allyn telegraphed to Judge Dennison that he left Kokuk, Iowa, Monday night, for Vancouver. He will probably arrive there Friday evening or Saturday morning.

About Oakdale, Spokane county, the grass appears to be on the jump, owing to the nice warm weather of the past few days, and the stock can be seen on a thousand hills.

Mizpah Lodge No. 11, Daughters of Rebecca, I. O. O. F., was organized at Port Townsend Saturday night. The new lodge has thirty members. A. A. Plummer is the secretary.

The Yakima *Signal* says that there are not a dozen head of fat beef cattle in the country, but the rapid growth of the rich bunch grass will soon put them in condition for the market.

A new cannery is to be built on Shoalwater bay near Long island this season, wherein salmon, clams and oysters will be canned. The intention is to keep it running the year round.

Vancouver *Independent*: Mayor Smith has filed with the city clerk his veto of the ordinance granting terminal facilities and right of way to the Vancouver, Klickitat & Yakima Railroad company.

The Olympia *Transcript* says: The Olympian Bar association is taking steps to send a committee to Vancouver to meet and welcome Judge Allyn to the territory, and at the same time to confer with him in regard to his place of residence.

Wednesday, says the *Record*, a colony of sixteen young Swedes went out with tools and provisions to work for the Spokane Lime company. They were all stout, robust looking men, and will no doubt be of great service to the company.

Oscar Stacompole, of Seattle, is just recovering from a severe scalding he got some time ago. He and some boys were experimenting with the wonderful power of steam. They secured an empty coal oil can and half-filled it with water, and then built a good fire under it. After the water had boiled awhile Oscar went up to turn off the steam to see it "puff out like a real engine." Instead of turning the valve to let the steam out, he shut it down all the tighter, and the can exploded, scalding him very severely.

Spokane Falls paper: There is a bad lot drifting into the city on the crest of the spring boom. The city must make some provisions for more adequate police protection, and also for working prisoners on the streets, so there may be something to dread from arrests.

Tacoma *News*: Immigrants are settling in large numbers around Winlock, Newaukum and Chehalis valley. They are all in good circumstances, and most of them have money with which to operate in lands and farms. A number of these settlers came from Tennessee and Texas.

Gen. J. W. Forsythe, formerly commander at Fort Walla Walla, passed up the road on Wednesday morning, to be present at the court of inquiry now being held at Fort Coeur d'Alene, says a Walla Walla paper. Accompanying him were Gen. H. M. Black, Col. Theo. F. Barr, Col. J. M. Moore and Capt. Butler D. Price.

A Boston correspondent sends up the following: The March number of the *West Shore* cont ins a serious error, namely: It states that there are 175 acres of deeded land in this county when it should have said 143,000 acres. Mt. Tacoma is located on the Yakamon instead of on the Touchet as that journal had it.

Says the Vancouver *Register*: Hay is very scarce in Cowlitz county, owing to the great increase in the logging business on the Sound and railroad building elsewhere. Hay that was left to spoil in the field last summer and brought only $2 per ton would now be worth $10 per ton. Loggers attracted to Cowlitz county have been forced to stay away for lack of hay.

Wednesday evening, March 30, Grand Master Holmes, assisted by Walla Walla and Waitsburg Odd Fellows, instituted Prescott lodge No. 14, at Prescott, W. T., with the following officers: Ira S. Stiles, N. G.; J. S. Haviland, V. G.; S. C. Culderhead, R. S.; W. C. Temple, P. S.; John Guyer, treasurer; F. A. Johnson, Warden; C. T. Sweetzer, I. G.; Ira S. Stiles, grand lodge representative.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Victoria Times of March 28:

The Canadian Pacific has ordered twenty-two new locomotives to be constructed at its shops in Montreal. Over time is being put on these engines as they are wanted at once.

The work of laying the rails on the Wellington extension has been commenced. On Thursday a mile of rails was laid, and it is confidently expected that the rails will be laid to Wellington by Wednesday next.

The government has introduced and passed a bill granting a bonus of $200,000 to the Shuswap & Okanagan railway. The subsidy is at the rate of $4000 per mile, and will be payable upon completion and operation within three years, otherwise the subsidy shall lapse. The bill passed its final reading this morning.

MONTANA.

Butte City is to hold an election on April 28 next to determine whether its residents desire an extension of the corporate limits of the city. The proposition is to enlarge the boundaries sufficiently to comprise about double the amount of land now embraced by them.

A Dillon special to the *Inter-Mountain* says: James Walker and Jack Moore, two horse thieves, were brought in last evening from Pony by Deputy Park and lodged in jail here. They have a band of forty-three horses at Pony of various brands belonging to ranchmen in this vicinity. Arrangements are being made to drive the horses here for examination, and until that time, four days hence, the exact number of each brand will not be known.

EUGENE NOTES.

EUGENE CITY, April 1.

The parents of Prof. Coolidge, from Ashland, are visiting in the city.

The gross business of the O. & C. road at this station for the month of March aggregated $4251.

Mr. O. W. Hurd, of Florence, has purchased a fine little passenger steamer, to be placed on Siuslaw bay in May.

Our board of commissioners has purchased 160 acres of fine land near the city, to be used for county asylum purposes.

The fire department gives an entertainment next Saturday evening. Our boys are getting ready to carry off the prizes at the next tournament.

The Eugene Oratorio society will give a grand concert and musical entertainment on Saturday evening, April 9, under the direction of Prof. Heppburn.

Our people are looking anxiously to the completion of the O. & C. to a connection with San Francisco, to give business, especially immigration, a boom.

Messrs. Beckwith & Sons, who were closed by attachment a few weeks since, have effected a settlement and opened up for boot and shoe business again.

Several of the residents of the Siuslaw country have been in the city recently and make favorable reports regarding the rapid development of that part of the country.

The citizens of this portion of the valley would not only welcome but liberally patronize a Sunday train from here to Portland. Just why it has not been put on is a mystery not explained by the well known religious tendencies of the managers.

The water company are about ready for business, having washed out their mains and given several tests showing the great power of their engines. Their regular pressure from reservoir is over 140 feet, which can be doubled by the direct action of the pumps.

There is some talk of building a new court house. The present one was built over thirty years ago and is, of course, many years behind the times. The commissioners have decided to construct some fire proof vaults to keep the records, and while they are at it they had better go a little further and give us a good courthouse.

Our merchants report business good, but most of them could stand a little more. Our producers are all a little anxious about the workings of the interstate commerce law, fearing that it will effect our farmers, wool growers and hop raisers unfavorably by taxing their supplies, thereby increasing cost of production and again their produce, thereby lessening the profits.

LEBANON NOTES.

LEBANON, April 1.

Farmers report the fall wheat in splendid condition, and a general feeling prevails that the crop will be a large one.

There is a general feeling among business men that times will improve, and that the country will endure upon a more prosperous and

J. Wasson is making arrangements to put up Queen Anne dwelling house this summer. J. M. Ralston will commence work on his dwelling in a short time.

Rose bushes and small shrubbery generally, as well as peach trees and other varieties of fruit, have suffered greatly this past winter from present appearances the last rose of summer will be the one that faded last fall.

S. G. Owen and wife, of Lincoln, Nebraska, are visiting Mrs. Dr. Ballard. They spent the winter in California. Mr. Owen has been a member of the legislature three times, and was the author of a strong supporter of the high license law of his state. He favors high license to prohibition. He will return home in a few days, favorably impressed with his observations on the coast.

The change in the mail route to the narrow gauge railroad has created great inconvenience. It makes all mail one day behind. The mail arrives at Spicer's station at 7 in the evening and lays there till the next evening. A petition has been circulated to have the mail carried as before. The people feel a great injustice is done, and misrepresentations made as to the charge. If done for economy, they are not prepared for it in that way. The postal agent should look into the matter, as it effects not only all citizens here, but others interested in speedy delivery of the mails.

RAILROAD MATTERS.

It is said on good authority that the Manitoba will extend a branch line to Bismarck, D. T.

The Northern Pacific is building a thirty two stall round house at Missoula. Besides various other buildings.

There is a rumor afloat that the car-shop operators of the Northern Pacific at Sprague will be transferred to Missoula.

Seattle *Times*: The Commercial mill is making it a rule of about 100,000 feet of lumber which will be sent down to Seattle's cove for the Seattle & Eastern road.

Seattle paper of Wednesday: The new locomotive for the Sasop Railroad company, the Alpha, has arrived at Portland, B. C., and is expected to arrive here any day.

The offices of Assistant Engineer J. J. Donovan and Train Dispatcher H. H. Wilkins of Eagle Gorge, have been transferred to Weston, twenty miles east of Eagle Gorge.

The Northern Pacific Railroad company, in addition to their main line, are operating the following named roads: St. Paul & N. P. railroad, Little Falls & Dakota, Northern Pacific, Fergus & Black Hills; Fargo & Southwestern, James River Valley, Sanborn, Cooperstown & Turtle Mountain, Jamestown & Northern, Rocky Mountain railroad of Montana, Helena & Red Mountain, Spokane Falls and Idaho, Spokane & Palouse.

Broad gauge ties are strung along the Utah & Northern much of the distance from Pocatello north, awaiting the time for widening out the road, which is to be done this season.

English Columbian: It is reported that the price paid for the Sardonyx by the C. P. R. Co. was $45,000. . . Mechanics in the C. P. R. locomotive shops in Montreal are working day and night. . . It is supposed the C. P. R. will begin building their warehouse on their wharf in a week or ten days. . . It is rumored that Master Mechanic Crose, of the eastern division of the C. P. R., will be along shortly to take Mr. Reed's place.

STOCK NOTES.

The few weeks of cold weather, says a Crook county exchange, during the past winter, which caused such mortality among fall sheared sheep, will, no doubt, teach sheep men the importance of being satisfied with one crop of wool annually in the future.

Crook county *Index*: From conversations with several of the heaviest horse raisers in the county we learn that horses are in better condition than they have been in March for several years. They have come through the winter with very little loss and in good condition, and they appear to be more free from disease than for some time. This with the prospect of good prices in coming season, causes our horsemen to feel quite jubilant.

The heaviest individual loss in sheep during the past winter that has come to our knowledge fell on Mr. George H. Thurston, says a Prineville paper. He was ranging his flocks in the Silver lake region, Lake county, and was owner of about 7000 head of stock sheep. Out of that number he has but 2500 left, 5000 having died. The sheep were compelled to range for a living, as no hay or other feed was provided for them, and the range on which they were herded was not good.

EXPORT TRADE.

ACCOUNTS OF LUMBER AND COAL SHIPPED FROM PUGET SOUND AND BRITISH COLUMBIA DURING MARCH.

Tacoma Ledger, April 1.

The month of March has proved, so far, the busiest of the year to the Puget Sound mills, as more lumber was shipped in that month. There has also been more coal shipped in that time than any previous month within the recollection of your correspondent.

Sixty six lumber and coal cargoes were sent from the Sound to coastwise and foreign ports during the month of March.

Forty three were lumber cargoes carried in sailing vessels.

The aggregate quantity of lumber taken by these vessels from each mill port is

Ports	Feet lumber
Tacoma	6,999 075
Port Blakely	4 838 958
Port Gamble	4 381 000
Port Madison	2 966 000
Port Hadlock	2 597 000
Port Ludlow	1 000 000
Port Discovery	1 433,000
Utsalady	1 [illegible],000
Seattle	1,780 000
Total	27 243 033

Twenty-three coal cargoes were sent in steamers and sailing vessels from the Sound to coastwise ports. The aggregate amount of tonnage engaged in this trade during the month amounted to 35,375 tons. Ten of these cargoes were from Tacoma and thirteen from Seattle.

The coal shipments are: From Tacoma, 22,171 tons, from Seattle, 21,218, total, 44,389. This amount exceeds the shipments in February by 12,006 tons.

The value of the coal shipped amounted to $15,368 50.

The value of the lumber shipped amounted to $27,202.

The steamers George W. Elder and Mexico made each two trips during the month, carrying, besides coal, large quantities of produce and iron, the estimated value of which amounted to $20,000.

The steamer Idaho made one trip to Alaska, with merchandise valued at $16,000.

The gross values of cargoes exported during the month were as follows: Lumber $27,202, Coal $155,501, merchandise and produce $5,000, total $500,583.

The total tonnage which sailed from Puget Sound for foreign and coastwise ports aggregates 68,552.

Five American vessels, loaded with coal at Departure bay and six at Nanaimo for coastwise ports. Total tonnage, 15,956; total amount of coal, 30,045 tons.

COQUILLE BAR IMPROVEMENTS.

Brandon Recorder, March 26.

This week Capt. H. S. Littlefield, superintendent in charge of the government works here and at Coos bay, has signed the contract with J. R. Marshall for furnishing 25,000 lineal feet of piling, the contract price being four cents per foot as reported and made on March 7. The work will begin here about May 1st. The amount of money remaining over from last fall of the $20,000 appropriated for last granted is between $10,000 and $15,000, probably nearer the latter than the former sum. There was an appropriation of $30,000 for Coos bay last year. This sum yet remains, less a little expenditure for ground staking done the past winter, and the proportional expense account for maintenance of the department having these matters in charge. Owing to depth of water at Coos bay in which the work has to be performed, it is probable there will be nothing done this season, with so small an appropriation on hand, for the reason that the expense of preparing for the work is quite great, again there is ample water on the bar, and no immediate need of improvements so far as shipping interests now are concerned. The coming season, all the work done here will be extension of the sea wall or dyke right out into the heavy breaker lines, and the work is therefore important in its performance as well as more or less difficult. That it will greatly benefit the river is seemingly assigned ground for doubt, in view of the marked change for the better already brought about by the dyke just built. It is true that the system is an experimental one, but we believe it is an experiment prompted by wisdom.

GOOD SHOWING.

Eugene City, Review, March 30.

During the year 1886 our city council made a good many improvements upon the streets of the city, and yet the property holders have only paid a two mill tax. The following represents the financial situation:

Cash on hand April 1st, 86	$ 44 84
Tax collections	1 13 60
Property tax for street grade	130 15
Liquor licenses etc.	1 1 07
Total	$1187 25
Warrants paid	1 0 0 00
Balance on hand	$ 91 50

In addition there are yet several hundred dollars of uncollected tax, which will swell the balance to what it was a year ago. This is a commendable showing, and our city officers are entitled to an honest recognition of their faithful services.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR WORK.

Tacoma Ledger, March 30.

Ivanhoe commandery, No. 4, Knights Templar, met in special conclave at B. P. M. yesterday, and conferred the red cross order upon three companions. At 6:30 the knights marched in uniform to the Tacoma, where a splendid repast was in waiting. After the banquet, which was followed by toasts and olesanni replies, the line of march was taken up for the asylum. During the evening the order of Knights Templar was conferred upon Nathan S. Porter of Olympia, Charles I. Learenworth and Wm. A. Anderson of Cosmopolis. A number of visitors were present, among whom we saw Sir Knights Wm. Wright of San Francisco, A. D. Palmer, John I. Lemon, D. B. Stewart, W. H. Llewellyn, Isaac Parker, S. C. Simmons and H. J. Hughes of Seattle.

OREGON CORN.

Walla Walla, March 30.

Mr. John Miller has just left at this office a specimen of what the Inland Empire can produce in the way of corn. The collection consists of seven ears of the varieties King Philip, King George and White Dent, well filled and measuring from nine to fourteen inches in length. This corn was raised about ten miles west of The Dalles, on high table land, without irrigation, was planted about the 8th of May, 1886, and was the product of the driest season known in Eastern Oregon during the past twenty five years. For a country that raises but little calculation on its corn crop this is a good showing.

SHIPPING HORSES EAST.

Walla Walla Statesman.

Unless the interstate commerce bill will cause an advance too high, there will be fewer than 10,000 head of Oregon and Washington horses shipped to eastern markets the present year. The Pacific coast has an abundance of horseflesh, and the Atlantic states have fine horse markets, and the only drawback to our horse raisers is the expense of transportation. The Oregon and Washington territory horse possesses a powers of endurance which the Atlantic horse does not attain.

THAT HACKING COUGH can be so quickly cured by Shiloh's Cure. We guarantee it. WOODARD, CLARKE & CO., Agents.

WASHINGTON INDIANS.

Col. M. A. Thomas Interviewed—Red Men's Advance in Civilization—His Farms and Schools—The Various Tribes.

Tacoma Ledger.

A few days ago a representative of this paper had a talk with Col. M. A. Thomas, of Baltimore, United States Indian inspector, who has been on duty on Puget sound for the past two months. Col. Thomas has inspected the various agencies and made a general examination of the books and accounts of the various superintendents and agents. He is an unassuming officer, and in his work here strives to do honor to the department which he represented. He carefully went over the ground and made a thorough investigation of all the agencies. Included in the Puyal up agency there are five separate and distinct reservations, Puyallup, Nisqually, Chehalis, Squaxin and Skokomish. Embraced in the agency there are from 1200 to 1500 Indians. Those of the three first named reservations are engaged more particularly in farming, while those of the other reservations are more properly clam diggers and fish eaters, and live mostly upon the shores of the upper sound, subsisting chiefly on hunting and fishing.

THE PUYALLUP AGENCY.

The Puyallup agency head quarters are two miles in a direct line by railroad from Tacoma, in fact the main line of the Northern Pacific road runs through the reservation. The agent is Edwin Eells. Upon the reservation are about 600 Indians, many of whom have been allotted tracts of farming land as fine as can be found in Washington territory. Many half breeds live there, and some of them have good homes, and considerable stock. They raise considerable produce, hay and potatoes principally, which they sell to the merchants of Tacoma, and get good profits for their labor. The government buildings are large and comfortable, and yet for the accommodation of scholars at the school the building is entirely too small. An effort is now on foot to obtain an appropriation of $10,000 for the erection of an additional boarding school to accommodate 200 or more scholars. The proposition is to merge into one large school there, the other two schools at the Chehalis and Skokomish reservations, the intention being to create an industrial and training school similar to that near Salem, Oregon, where the Indians may not only be taught to read and write, but may be given a trade and be fitted in other ways for business. The school at the Puyallup reservation numbers nearly 100 boarders, and there are a number of the Nisqually Indians who cannot be accommodated from lack of room. It is in fine condition, the scholars are quite bright and some of them particularly apt and will cope well with scholars of the white race. The Puyallup Indians are considered to be a more intelligent set than the other tribes, from the fact that their homes are near Tacoma, Puyallup, Sumner and other points, and they are thrown among the whites more than any of the others in Western Washington. They are better able to speak correctly the English language from constant intercourse and business relations with the whites than those of the more isolated portions of the territory.

OTHER AGENCIES.

The Tulalip agency comprises the Tulalip, Lummi, Swinomish, Port Madison and Muckleshoot reservations, with headquarters of the agency at Tulalip, at the head of Possession sound, about sixty five miles from Tacoma. The superintendent and agent here is Wilson H. Talbott, who has control over five reservations and about 1200 Indians who reside thereon. Only at one place with in the agency, and this is at Tulalip, is there a school, and this is a Roman Catholic institution under the management of secular priests and sisters of Providence. It numbers 115 scholars. It is what is known as a contract school, and the only one of the kind in Western Washington. The United States government has made contracts with the managers of the school, and pays them at the rate of $108 per year for each child, but not to exceed 100 scholars, hence the managers are educating fifteen Indian children, for which they receive no pay from the government. The terms of the contract of these priests and Sisters of Providence are that for this amount they will feed, clothe, board and educate each child. They have a fine school, well managed, and the children make great progress towards civilization. There is little difference between these Indians and those of the Puyallup agency, except that many of the older persons are less intelligent upon the Tulalip agency. They have considerable agricultural land, fine gardens, and raise a great amount of farm produce for home consumption are thrifty and mostly in a healthy, growing condition.

CHALLAS' INDIANS.

On the straits of Juan de Fuca, near New Dungeness, there is a small Indian settlement at Jamestown. This is the home of Chalias Indians, about 200 in number. There is no reservation there and the government makes little provisions for them except in the furnishing of a teacher for their school of some twenty scholars. These Indians really belong to the Skokomish reservation and are now under the control of Superintendent Eells of the Puyallup agency. They have wandered away, however, from this reservation, a distance of nearly 100 miles to their present location. Sometime in the year 1873 they went to Jamestown, and there purchased about 200 acres of land, much of which is good agricultural land

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STORY OF A POSTAL

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After trying all the doctors
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Bitters.
And I am perfectly cured
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Respectfully B B BOOTH, Sa
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Yours truly, Miss JOSLIN

$7,000 Lost

'A tour to Europe that cost me
less good than one bottle of
also cured my wife of fifteen
weakness, sleeplessness and
R. M., auburn, N Y

Baby Saved

We are so thankful to say
baby was permanently cured
protracted constipation and
bowels, by the use of Hop Bitters
mother, which at the same time
perfect health and strength —
Rochester, N Y

Unhealthy or inactive kidneys,
'Bright's disease, rheumatism
other serious and fatal diseases
prevented with Hop Bitters

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have been taking Hop Bitters
of kidneys and bladder
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The effect of the Bitters seems
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GENTS —Your Hop Bitters have
value to me I was laid up
for over two months, and could
until I tried your Hop Bitters
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cordially recommend them
685 Fulton street, Chicago, Ill

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Is there a person living who
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any disease of the stomach, liver
Hop Bitters will not cure

'My Mother says Hop Bitters
that will keep her from
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'My little sickly, puny baby,
a great bouncing boy, and I
scribed by using Hop Bitters

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THE O. R. & N. LEASE.

Speculation as to Whether it is "On" or "Off" this Time.

Strong Probability that it will be Consummated—The O. R. & N. and the Transcontinental—No Delay Necessary.

THE OREGONIAN'S dispatches for the past two days indicate that the lease of the O. R. & N. lines to the Union Pacific is in a fair way towards consummation, but twice before in the last three years have lease negotiations been brought almost to a conclusion and then failed. If they should fall again, there would be no surprise here. Within the past week O. R. & N. stock has advanced about five points in the face of small earnings and the uncertainty of the effect of the interstate commerce law. This is a strong indication that the lease is close at hand. The stock did not advance without some cause. It is more than likely that definite action, one way or the other, will be taken very soon, probably within a week.

This transaction is unlike and can not be compared with the transfer of the Oregon & California to the Southern Pacific. The latter was an out and out sale. The former is only a lease. For more than a year the Union Pacific has been considering the matter, and not a detail has been overlooked. Consent of the Oregon and Transcontinental company to the lease has been obtained. This was necessary, because the O. & T. company own a majority of O. R. & N. stock. A simpler way for the Union Pacific to get control of the O. R. & N. is to buy a controlling interest in the O. & T. If half of the O. & T. stock could be bought at its present value in Wall street, $7,000,000 would secure control of the O. R. & N. Co.'s possessions, which represent an outlay of nearly $40,000,000, and an actual value of perhaps $30,000,000. Thus did Henry Villard multiply corporations when he was president of the O. R. & N., the Northern Pacific, the Oregon Improvement, and nearly everything else a'most in this country.

After he had secured control of the Northern Pacific through the famous "blind pool," he organized the Oregon Transcontinental company with a capital stock of $40,000,000, which was subscribed in a very short time. Its ostensible object was to bring about a permanent alliance between the Northern Pacific and the O. R. & N. and to build branch lines for the Northern, which, under its charter, it is not authorized to do. The Oregon and Transcontinental company bought 140,000 shares of the O. R. N. & Co.'s stock, the entire capital stock being 240,000 shares; a big block of Northern Pacific, and a number of other stocks. Then it advanced enough money to the Northern Pacific to finish that line from Helena to Spokane Falls, and "went broke" on the transaction. When the smoke cleared away in the spring of 1884 it was found that most of the stock bought with the $40,000,000 cash had been hypothecated to secure loans, and for a time it looked as if the assets would not be enough to meet liabilities. The O. R. & N. and other stocks had shrunk more than one-half and were a drug in Wall street. Transcontinental went down as low as $7 a share. Elijah Smith took hold, got an extension of time on the debt-dness, put the assets into good shape, and finally placed the company on its feet. It always stuck to the $14,000,000 of O. R. & N. stock, which is the most valuable item in its list of assets.

Still O. & T. stock to-day is worth only $33 a share; 400,000 shares at that price is $13,200,000. Half of it is worth $6,600,000; hence for this sum, or a little more, control of the O. R. & N. stock could be obtained, provided the holders were willing to sell at the market price. If any man wanted that much stock and wanted it badly, the price naturally would advance.

But Elijah Smith being president of both the O. R. & N. and the Transcontinental, and both companies being practically under the control of the same capitalists, there is no reason for the Union Pacific wanting to get control of the O. & T. A lease of the O. R. & N. without the consent of the Oregon & Transcontinental company would be impossible. The lease will include only such property of the O. R. & N. which comes properly under the head of construction. This includes all the rail lines, the steamships, the river steamboats, and the wharf property in Portland, Astoria and elsewhere. It does not take in other real estate, as, for instance, the dry dock, the hotel, the big plat above the water works, etc. The Union Pacific simply takes possession of and operates the property, and those who are in a position to know state that the formal turning over of the property to the lessees can be accomplished within a week after negotiations are concluded.

THE P. B. A.

PREPARATIONS FOR THE SEASON—NEW BOATS BOUGHT.

The annual meeting of stockholders of the Portland Rowing association on the 4th inst. announces the opening of another year in aquatics. During the winter the directors have added two more boats to the stock—a single pleasure and a working boat and new "Donoghue" oars for the shells, and have had all of the boats and shells overhauled, repaired, painted and varnished. A float is now being built and will soon be in place, when the house will be lowered into position for the summer. The secretary has been in correspondence with various clubs, and it is not improbable that before the season ends they, too, will know something about "Willamette river water."

The new boathouse is lighted with electricity and contains seven paper shells, ten pleasure boats and three automatic rowing machines, besides other appliances usually found around boathouses, gymnasiums and swimming baths.

Many applications for membership have already been made and old members are beginning to assemble at the boathouse and take out boats, models, oars, seats, slides, row-locks, rowing machines and their relative merits, races, oarsmen, amateur and professional, time, place and record, with the assurance of one informed.

THE STAGE.

THE NEW MARKET.—Last night Macallister, the great magician, opened at the New Market to a fair house. All his acts of prestidigitation were exceedingly clever and elicited loud applause. He is one of the cleverest men in his line now before the public. Matinee to-day and last performance to-night.

THE BIJOU OPERA COMPANY.—Mr. R. C. Gilroy, representing Adelaide Randall and the Bijou Opera company, arrived in town last night. This company is highly spoken of, especially the prima donna, Miss Randall. The company will begin a short season of comic opera at the New Market theatre on Wednesday next. The repertoire includes "The Chimes of Normandy," "Billee Taylor," "Bridal Trap" and "La Mascot." The matinee bill will be announced hereafter. The music loving people of Portland believe in quality before quantity, and in the Bijous they will find it, as there is not a stick in the whole company. Adelaide Randall stands out in the operatic circles as a lady of rare musical ability, and as an actress the press throughout the South have spoken in the highest terms of her. As the name "Bijou" implies Little Gem, the company fully sustains the title.

MR. AND MRS. GEO. S. KNIGHT.—These comedians are coming west over the Northern Pacific and will open at the New Market Tuesday, April 2, for five nights and a matinee. Mr. Will H. Sloan, in advance, arrived here yesterday.

PERSONAL.

David R. Jones, a prominent cattleman of Warner valley, is in the city.

Hon. Sol Hirsch and Joseph Simon returned Thursday from a trip to the East.

Mr. S. B. Wiley, comptroller of the O. R. & N., returned this week from a visit to Kansas City.

Judges Townsend and Coggswell, of Lakeview, are in the city in attendance upon the U. S. grand jury in the swamp land cases.

W. H. H. Waters, deputy collector of customs at Port Townsend, arrived here yesterday. He has been subpenaed to testify before the U. S. grand jury.

George A. Carroll, of Onnalaska, who has been attending business college here for several months past, has gone to San Francisco via Ogden, to be gone two months.

Mr. M. C. Lyon, formerly of this city but who has been living in San Francisco for several years past, has returned to this city to take up his residence here permanently.

Around the earth, in every land,
By every stream that I'm aware of,
In every town, they understand
How teeth may best be taken care of.
From Jersey flats to Birmah's mount
They sing the praise of SOZODONT.

BILL BRADEN'S LAST RUNAWAY.

WITH THE FEAR OF DEATH, A REPORTER TELLS ABOUT IT.

As a reporter was passing up Washington street yesterday he espied his old friend Wm. Braden standing in the doorway of the Council building, industriously mopping his expansive forehead with a bandanna and looking as if he was hot in the collar. Having had experience with William when he was riled, the reporter very cautiously approached him and inquired what was wrong. William said he had had a runaway. The reporter inquired if it was that historical white horse. "No," said William, "it was not that white horse, and if you publish anything in THE OREGONIAN about it I will——"

It is not necessary to reiterate the blood-curdling threats used in endeavoring to intimidate the reporter, but suffice to say that, having ascertained the facts in regard to the runaway, the reporter made his will and prepared the following account, which is given to the public as his last effort in that line:

Mr. Braden started for his dinner in a road cart, accompanied by a friend, driving a spirited horse. It was raining at the time and Mr. Braden's friend hoisted an umbrella, which so scared the horse that it was taken down. Mr. Braden, however, insisted on it being put up again, as he wished the horse to become used to umbrellas and things of that sort. They reached Mr. Braden's residence, where the horse was hitched to the stump of a shade tree about six inches in diameter. He had scarcely been tied when he pulled back, dragging out the stump by the roots. He dashed across the street and ran against a shade tree, breaking the cart, and by a few vigorous efforts clearing himself of the cart and harness. Then he wheeled around and seeing the stump, kicked at it and struck at it with his fore feet, and then dashed wildly down the street, the stump banging his heels and he kicking back a every jump. Turning up Third street the stump got between his legs and threw him down. He got up and pursued his wild career frantic with fright. Away up the hill he stopped, but seeing the horrid stump still near him he dashed off again, and at last freed himself from the stump at College street and was finally caught, and this is what caused Mr. Braden to be mopping his up-one-side-and-down-the-other forehead.

A SUIT FOR BOYS' SALARIES.

MANAGER BAIRD CALLED ON TO DEFEND AN ACTION OCCASIONED BY KINDNESS.

T. Rodgers yesterday commenced suit in the state circuit court against I. W. Baird, the minstrel manager, to recover $417 25. Rodgers avers that Baird in September last engaged a minor son of plaintiff for six months, agreeing to pay him $20 a month and furnish him with everything but shoes, including board and lodging. That December 1st he discharged him without cause, wherefore plaintiff asks judgment for $167 25. For a second cause of action plaintiff alleges Baird hired T. Drake on the same conditions, agreeing to pay $12 a month. That in December he also violated this contract, owing Drake $124 50. For a third cause that Baird employed a young son of T. J. O'Connor for $80, and owes him $120 50. The last two claims were assigned to Rodgers for collection for a valuable considerat on, consequently he sues for the whole.

When Baird was here with his company last September, he engaged four children, including these three, to act as videttes on the street parade. They remained with the company ten weeks, traveling in the Southwestern states. Fevers were prevalent, and the children had themselves suffered with the fever. Baird had laid out a route through Louisiana, where the danger from fever was still worse. He did not wish to jeopardize the boys' lives, so at St. Louis called them together explained the situation, and asked them whether they preferred to travel with him or return home. All preferred the latter; so he paid them up, bought return tickets and sent them back to their parents. This statement is made in justice to Mr. Baird, who is now one of the citizens of Portland and has always borne the reputation of being a "square" man. His sending the boys back was a considerate act, for which he merits commendation.

BEATEN ONCE MORE.

A SUIT TO RECOVER THE VALUE OF BELGIAN BLOCKS RESULTS AGAINST THE PLAINTIFF.

Yesterday, in Justice Tuttle's court, the case of Patrick Reilly vs. the Portland Macadamizing and Paving company was tried before a jury. The complaint sat up that in the years 1882 and 1883 Reilly sold and delivered to the paving company 2300 Belgian blocks of the value of $115. Defendants alleged in their answer that on June 10th, 1882, they had a mutual accounting with Reilly and paid him what was due him, and Reilly, on the other hand, asserts that this is not so. Defendants further allege that some time ago, in Justice Grant's court, Reilly sued to recover for only 1000 blocks, valued at $40 and judgment was given against plaintiff for costs. Reilly was the first witness called to the stand. In answer to a question by his attorney as to whether he had sold and delivered 2300 Belgian blocks to the paving company Reilly answered: "No, I never sold them any blocks; they took them when I was at St. Helen. Mr. Hamilton, my partner, can prove that."

James Gleason, attorney for the paving company here claimed that if this was true it was a case of conversion or appropriation of property, and that according to Mr. Reilly's statement the blocks were stolen, whereas the complaint set forth that they were sold and delivered. After some argument on this point Justice Tuttle concluded to permit Mr. Reilly to make his statement anyhow. The trial of the case lasted all afternoon. The jury, after a short deliberation, found for the defendant.

TWO INSANE MEN.

ONE FROM THE USE OF MORPHINE; THE OTHER WITH HALLUCINATION.

Frank L. Einehart was examined by Drs. Strong and Watkins for insanity yesterday and ordered committed to the asylum at Salem. Four years ago Einehart received a gun-shot wound, and to alleviate his sufferings morphine was administered. Einehart thus became addicted to the drug and kept it up until he got to taking sixty grains daily. His friends finally succeeded in reducing this to fifteen grains a day, but too late, as Einehart's brain had already become badly affected. Einehart is a boiler-maker by trade, a native of Washington territory, aged 23 years.

Policeman Shipley arrested an old German named John Evers as insane. Evers formerly worked for Herrall & Zimmerman, and at one time kept a saloon at the upper end of First street. Evers's mind has been failing for some time past. He is afflicted with various hallucinations, among the number a common one, which is that people are after him to kill him. When first met by policeman Shipley Evers was busy with a glass, carrying water to a supposed dying woman on the sidewalk, the dying woman being simply a creature of his imagination. Evers is a single man.

A MARRIED WOMAN'S PROPERTY.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION BY THE U. S. SUPREME COURT ON THIS QUESTION.

In another column will be found a decision of the supreme court of the United States, in the case of Barrell and wife against Tilton. This is an action of ejectment brought in the U. S. circuit court by Tilton to secure possession of a tract of thirteen and and a quarter acres of land formerly owned by Cooley Barrell and wife, the principal part belonging to the wife. The property had been sold on foreclosure of a mortgage to W. S. Ladd, and bought by Tilton. The circuit court gave judgment in favor of Tilton, and the Barrells took the case to the supreme court on a writ of error, where the the judgment of the circuit court was affirmed.

Under the act of the legislature of Oregon, October 21, 1880, the court held that the wife's identity is no longer merged in that of the husband, therefore she can be joined with him as a co-defendant in an action to recover land, of which they are both in possession. It also held, notwithstanding, that the property of the wife is not subject to the debts or contracts of the husband by the constitution of Oregon, she may mortgage it to secure a debt owed by her husband.

FAILURES IN THREE MONTHS.

Through the courtesy of R. G. Dun & company's agency, the following statistics of commercial failures in Oregon and Washington from January 1 to March 31, 1887, are obtained:

	1st quarter 1887.			1st quarter 1886.		
	No	Liabily	Assets.	No	Liabily	Assets.
Oregon	30	$215,737	$150,914	42	$186,533	$ 73,181
Wash Ter	10	64,500	26,200	34	191,950	87,350
	1st quarter 1885.			1st quarter 1884.		
	No	Liabily	Assets	No	Liabily	Assets.
Oregon	44	$307,576	$158,217	43	$406,761	$230,289
Wash Ter	38	150,100	108,559	37	305,481	190,563

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THE NEW WATER RATES.

Comparison with Charges Made by the Old Company.

The Reduced Rates Take Effect this Month—Hereafter Rents to be Paid in Advance—Other Matters.

Several people who called at the water committee's office yesterday to pay their water rent, inquired whether they were not entitled to a reduction. Those who have been paying in advance were entitled to the reduction. Those who paid for March were not, because the new rates went into effect April 1. One old gentleman, who has been paying $3 50 a month in advance, was somewhat pleased when Mr. Struble, with customary suavity, informed him that $2 would be enough this time.

Water consumers who have not been paying in advance should remember that next month they must pay double, because after May 1, all water rents will be payable in advance. That is to say, they must pay for April and for May at one time. Still, as the rates are lower, the amount to be paid will not be much larger than usual. For instance: A householder has been paying $3 50. Under the new rate he will pay $2 a month, and the double payment will be only $4—$1 more than a single month has been. Where the rate has been $1 50 for a family, the new rate is 75 cents. Where it has been $2 50 for kitchen and bath tub the rate will be $1 25. For kitchen and water closet the rate has been $2 50, new rate $1 50. These reductions are the farthest reaching.

Following is a table showing the reduction for consumers, other than householders:

	New rate.	Old rate.
Dwellings—Families of six	$ 75	$ 1 00
Each additional person	10	25
Water closets—For families or stores	75	1 00
Each additional	25	25
Hotels and boarding houses	1 00	2 00
Each additional	50	2 00
In public buildings and blocks	1 00	2 00
Each additional	50	2 00
Urinals—In public lodges and blocks	25	50
Bath tubs—Private houses	1 00	1 00
Hotels and boarding houses	1 00	1 00
Barbershops and bath houses	1 00	1 00
Bakeries	2 00	2 00
Blacksmith shops—First fire	1 00	2 00
Each additional	50	2 00
Each additional	10	25
Printing offices—Each power press	2 00	5 00
Each hand press	50	1 00
Each person employed	10	25
Sidewalk sprinkling—Each 25 feet	50	1 00
Each 50 feet	75	1 00
Each 25 feet additional	25	1 00
Restaurants and coffee houses—Lowest	1 50	2 00
Sleeping rooms	10	25
Barbershops—First chair	1 00	2 00
Each additional	25	25
Stores—Drug stores	$1 25	$2 00
Grocery	75	2 00
Dry goods and other stores	75	2 00
Liquor stores	$2 50	$5 00
Families living in stores	75	1 50
Saloons	1 50	2 50
Butcher shops and fish markets	1 50	3 00
Building purposes—Each 1000 bricks wetting	20	25
Each barrel cement wetting	15	25
Each barrel lime wetting	15	25
Each perch stone wetting	8	10

The old company made no charge for stables where one family horse or cow was kept. Livery stables were charged 50 cents for each horse. The figures in the second column are taken from the company's printed rates, issued September 1, 1885. However, these were not always enforced. For instance, they seldom charged for more than one bathtub in a private house. Meter rates of the old company were: 1000 to 50,000 gallons, 50 cents per 1000; over 50,000, 40 cents. The new rates are: 1000 to 25,000, 30 cents; 25,000 to 50,000, 25 cents; 50,000 to 100,000, 20 cents.

The rates on additional chairs in barber shops is 25 cents, not 10 cents, as published yesterday, and on breweries $75 to $100, not $25 to $100.

CHARGES TO THE CITY.

Some persons, who had not given the question due thought, expressed surprise yesterday that the city should be charged with water needed by the fire department, for street sprinkling and at the city building. It looked to them as though it was taking from one pocket and transferring it to the other. The committee hold very properly that water rent is not a tax. It is pay for one of the necessaries of life. A poor householder pays much more for water in proportion to his wealth than a rich man does. The water furnished to the fire department is for the protection of *all* property, and the large property owner pays for this protection in proportion to his holdings. He pays it through his city taxes, and the small property owner also pays his small share of the burden. Thus, by charging the city as a corporation for the water it uses as a corporation, the rate to the private consumer is lowered. It is a little surprising that the committee, composed as it is of wealthy men, for the most part, should have taken this broad view.

The new rates are not intended to be permanent. They may be modified if occasion requires.

ABOUT RESTORING STREETS.

Following is the exact language of City Attorney Tanner concerning the commissioners giving bonds to restore streets which had been torn up for the purpose of laying pipes: "I am not prepared to say that the council might not impose conditions and regulations on your committee on these matters if it finds it necessary or expedient, but it will require some further and different legislation than is embodied in the ordinances referred to."

THE EAST SIDE.

Miss Jennie Olden went to Toledo yesterday on the Kellogg.

Real estate east side advertisements in this morning's issue.

Andrew O'Conners, of Coos county, is in the city, registered at the Central hotel.

Councilman Balcroft went to Junction City yesterday, but will probably return Monday.

Some one at Pleasant Home has been making it a business to swipe bacon, oats and potatoes.

P. Kelly was installed chancellor commander and W. B. Welch master of exchequer last evening.

Rev. Richie, who lectured in East Portland Wednesday night on temperance, has gone to The Dalles.

Charles Clugget, wife and daughter, of Pleasant Home, are in the city on a visit to Mr. Clugget's mother.

Mrs. J. A. Campbell, wife of the prosecuting attorney, contemplates a trip east. She will go to Southern Oregon first.

In the case of W. S. Gordon against O. Donbar, to recover money, Justice Bullock decided plaintiff was entitled to $15.

It is stated that Mr. H. Burnett, of East Portland, has been awarded the contract for painting the roofs of the state capital, penitentiary and insane asylum.

It is reported that the 14-year-old son of Mr. E. M. Carpenter, of Mount Tabor, has skipped from his home. The trouble seems to be that he was tired of washing dishes.

In the justice court yesterday eight young boys were up for breaking windows in Holladay addition. Each was fined $ 0, but the fine was not enforced, on account of the youth of the offenders.

Rev. S. P. Wilson, formerly the Methodist pastor of this city, but now presiding elder of the Eugene district, writes that he wants a minister to take the place of Rev. McIntire, at Roseburg, resigned on account of ill-health.

It has been suggested that a street railway can be built from Portland to Mount Tabor by subscription from parties most interested. It is confidently believed that the enterprise could be put through in this way, and that it would pay well on the investment.

It has transpired that Craft, the man whom Robertson arrested the other night for being drunk, had not been drinking at all, but was under the effect of either, or some other drug administered while having teeth extracted. He is not a drinking man, and his case was dismissed without trial.

Young Phillips, before Recorder Newell, at 7 o'clock last night, pleaded guilty to a charge of disturbing the Salvation Army, and was fined $10. By a special provision in the law in the case of minors the court may exercise discretion in the enforcement of a fine, and in this case the recorder acted under the provision. So the sentence hangs over him. The young man has excellent traits, and the lesson he has received will be remembered.

Pioneer Engine company elected the following officers last night: E. A. Scofield, foreman; W. B. Gilson, first assistant; E. C. Wheeler, second assistant; John H. Hall, president; E. C. Beard, secretary; W. B. Welch, treasurer; E. C. Wheeler, Fred Rinderf, J. B. Pape, trustees; Ed Brandaz, W. H. Bartel, J. J. Kadderly, auditing committee; Henry Meyer E. C. Ferguson, W. B. Gilson, representatives to the board of fire delegates. Relief Hook and Ladder company, in Holladay addition, held an annual meeting and elected officers. Also Grant Engine company, in Stephens addition.

THE POSTAL TELEGRAPH.

THE PORTLAND OFFICE OPENED YESTERDAY FOR GENERAL BUSINESS.

The Postal Telegraph company opened its office in this city for general business yesterday. It has convenient quarters on the east side of First street, between Pine and Ash, a few doors below the Western Union office. Besides the office here it maintains offices in this state at Albany, Ashland, Bly, Canyonville, Cottage Grove, Eugene City, Fort Klamath, Grant's Pass, Lake View, Linkville, Oakland, Oregon City, East Portland, Roseburg and Salem.

In Washington territory it has offices at Blaine, Centralia, Chehalis, Dungeness, Port Townsend, Lummer, Olympia, Port Angeles, Port Blakeley, Port Discovery, Port Gamble, Port Hadlock, Port Ludlow, Port Madison, Port Townsend, Seattle, Sehome, Stanwood, Snohomish, Tacoma, Whatcom and Winlock. In British Columbia it has offices at Barkerville, Departure Bay, Esquimault, Lytton Moodyville, Nanaimo, New Westminister, Port Moody, Vancouver, Victoria and Yale.

The overland route is via the Canadian Pacific system, which connects at Buffalo, N. Y., and Richford, Vermont, with the Postal Telegraph company and the Baltimore & Ohio Telegraph company; the former with 60,000 and the latter with 40,000 miles of land lines, touching all the principal business centers east of Omaha and Kansas City. The company is now building through Wisconsin, Minnesota, Dakota, Montana and Colorado. These lines will be completed early in the summer. The present system on the coast consists of two large No. 6 galvanized iron wires from San Francisco to New Westminster, two copper wires from San Francisco to Redding, California, two wires around San Francisco bay, and one wire south to Santa Cruz. The company are about to commence stringing a No. 10 hard drawn copper wire from Roseburg to Seattle, and will also build a line east from San Francisco via Ogden, thus giving them another eastern outlet.

The probabilities are that the company will build lines into Astoria, Corvallis and other local points this summer. The company connects with the Commercial Cable company at New York and Boston. The two cables belonging to this company are new and are said to be the best ever laid across the Atlantic. The present tariff does not differ materially from that of the Western Union, but it is the general impression that there will be a war of rates.

The staff of the Portland office is as follows: J. Stronach, district manager; W. J. Wallis, chief operator; R. Martin, night chief; W. A. McGovern, T. A. Morrison and D. K. Crawford, operators; A. W. McDonald, cashier; R. L. Jones, day receiver; E. E. Mallory, night receiver.

EXAMINING LIGHTHOUSES.

INSPECTOR SEBREE ON PUGET SOUND—STAKE LIGHTS AT OLYMPIA.

Capt. Uriel Sebree, United States inspector of this lighthouse district, returned Thursday afternoon from an inspection cruise on the sound. He left Portland March 13 and proceeded overland and by steamer to Seattle, where he joined the Manzanita. From Seattle the tender went with the inspector to the new fog signal at West Point, six miles north of Seattle, taking fifty tons of coal for that section. While there Capt. Sebree made a thorough test of the horn and found that it worked satisfactorily.

Olympia was next visited, where the inspector personally examined the several sites which had been selected for locating stake lights. The sites were approved and the lights will soon be placed in position. These lights will be similar to those along the lower Willamette and Columbia. The inspector was two days at Olympia.

From there the Manzanita visited the following stations: Point Robinson, Point No Point, Admiralty Head, Point Wilson, Dungeness, Ediz Hook and Cape Flattery. At the latter station a quantity of coal was landed for the fog signal. On the way down the sound the tender touched at Port Townsend. Coming back, the inspector visited Smith's Island light station. From Port Townsend he proceeded to Tulalip harbor, where two buoys were placed. Returning to Seattle, the Manzanita steamed over to Port Blakeley where she was beached for the purpose of enabling an examination to be made of her bottom and valves. Capt. Sebree left the vessel at that point, where some work was being done, and returned to Portland. Yesterday the Manzanita was to return to Seattle to coal up, and will leave this morning for Astoria.

In a few days the tender will come to Portland and carry the inspector down the river, where some buoys and other work are to be looked after. About the last of next week Capt. Sebree expects to leave on the tender for an inspecting cruise along the southern coast of Oregon. He has been unable to visit the several stations in that part of the district for some months.

A "COMPLAINING WITNESS."

HOW A PRISONER IN THE COUNTY JAIL WAS TREATED BECAUSE HE WOULD NOT "BLAB."

Some months since two young men named Shepherd and Ryan, who, it is supposed, were suborned to commit perjury concerning public lands, were held as witnesses in the U. S. court and committed to the county jail. Ryan was one of the party of four who made their escape some time since. Yesterday Shepherd was brought up before the U. S. grand jury to testify in the matter. He made a complaint of the manner in which he had been treated while in the jail, stating, while crying bitterly, that he had been locked up in a dark cell and fed on bread and water for a week because he would not tell how Ryan escaped. He says he knows nothing about the matter, and even if he did he was not held to give testimony in the case. He was held as a witness by the United States and his board was paid by the government and he is entitled to be treated with proper consideration. Shepherd is a boy and was led to commit the crime of perjury by unscrupulous persons.

A JOINT RESOLUTION NOT A LAW.

A TRIFLING MATTER ABOUT PRINTING FOR THE STATE UNIVERSITY.

Judge Deady, president of the board of regents of the state university, has received a communication from State Printer Baker, calling his attention to the fact that among the incidental expenses in his last report is included certain sums paid out for printing. The attention of Judge Deady is further called to a joint resolution of the state legislature requiring the state printer to do all the printing for the state departments, and the fact that the printing fund was increased nearly 50 per cent. so that all printing required by the state could be paid out of it.

There has been no printing done for the university, except some programmes for graduating exercises and some lithographed diplomas, neither of which it is practicable to have done by the state printer. Moreover, a mere joint resolution is not a law, and does not govern anybody except the houses which passed it, while they are in session.

THE TILLAMOOK TRAIL.

AFTER THREE MONTHS' BLOCKADE BY SNOW MAILS WILL GET THROUGH NEXT WEEK.

Last Sunday E. M. Keys and James Fairchild succeeded in breaking a trail over the mountains between Tillamook and North Yamhill. The Tillamook road has been blockaded with snow since last December for about five miles. Messrs. Fairchild and Keys experienced but little trouble on their trip except for half a mile in the neighborhood of the round house. For about two miles the snow averaged a depth of five feet. Various complaints have been made about the mail service to Tillamook and quite an amount of mail has accumulated at North Yamhill. Mr. Keys and Mr. Fairchild propose next Tuesday to take five or six horses and carry the delayed mail matter to Tillamook. They would have returned sooner, but owing to the heavy rain of Thursday it was considered safer to wait till the snow had settled.

THE COURTS.

U. S. CIRCUIT COURT.

W. T. Coleman vs. Flavel & Elmore; time to answer extended to May 2.

STATE CIRCUIT COURT NO. 1.

Adam Pershbaker, R. J. Harrison Wm. Barry and J. W. Perkins et al. vs. George Houghton et al.; confirmation of sale of property by the sheriff.

A. P. Wilson vs. P. M. & P. Co.; time for settling bill of exceptions extended until April 25.

STATE CIRCUIT COURT, NO. 2.

State of Oregon vs. E. W. James; to be sentenced to-day.

State of Oregon vs. Ilis Roberts and R. A. Bymps; arraigned and one day to plead.

Wm. Barnes, bailiff, resigned and L. A. Parsons appointed.

COUNTY COURT.

In the matter of the estate of H. C. Schmidt; application of Corbett & Macleay, creditors of the estate, for the appointment of Frank Hickey as general administrator.

RUCTION IN ALASKA.

McCafferty Holds the Fort as Collector of Customs.

His Peculiar Method of Administration—Jasper W Johnson Officers and Forlorn—An Editor Assaulted—Extreme Cold Weather.

The Idaho, which reached here from Alaska Thursday night, encountered a somewhat bitter experience both in port and sea. For at least ten days, while she was in northern waters, the thermometer was never higher than ten degrees above zero, and while at Douglas island, opposite Juneau, it was found to register 16 below. In several places the steamer was obliged to plow its way through ice. Residents of Alaska are reported to have said that not for ten years have they seen so severe a March as the one just passed. So much snow fell during the month that in parts of the territory the heavily timbered islands and mountain slopes resembled snow pyramids. Such a sight is unusual for Alaska, as the warm Japan current generally melts the snow before it attains any depth.

But the most unpleasant experiences encountered by the Idaho were not from nature but from man. McCafferty is still collector of customs for Alaska, at least in his opinion. Others, however, hold that when the president withdrew his name as an appointee, the duties of the office became again vested in Collector French, his predecessor until the arrival of the newly appointed collector, Dulaney. From various sources the following is learned: When the Idaho anchored at Juneau, McCafferty boarded her and remained thereon until she reached Sitka. In passing from the former to the latter point the steamer touched at Killisnoo. McCafferty had not been apprised of the withdrawal of his name by the president until the Idaho arrived. The news seemed to harmonize not very smoothly with his ambitious thoughts and plans. He appeared determined to show all possible authority while yet it was in his power. He charged the officers with having whisky or opium on board, threatened the waiters with certain punishment if they did not disclose the hiding places, and quarreled with the seamen because they would not side with him in his fight of the officers. While at Killisnoo he stood on the wharf, and as every small package was landed examined its contents. His zeal was rewarded by finding three or four pocket boxes of opium that some Chinamen on board were using as a tobacco chewer uses a plug of tobacco. The officers repeatedly told him they would gladly have him search the vessel, but they objected to any unnecessary or arbitrary detention. But he appeared daily to grow more obstinate and insinuating. While talking with one officer he would credit him with being a strictly honest man, but would point to his brother officer and declare that the latter was an opium or whisky smuggler. Then, again, to the officer whom he had accused of illicit dealings, the collector would say that he knew said officer was honest, and ask him to stand in with him in his efforts to prove that the first-named officer upon whose honesty he had complimented was a thief or rogue. One incident will illustrate the dignified manner in which he attempted to find the hiding place of supposed opium. Walking up to an officer one day, he said, in substance:

"You know as well as I do that there is opium on board. Now tell me where it is."

"I have stated there is none here. You have thoroughly searched the ship and ought to know," replied the officer.

"I can go and place my hand on several boxes."

"I defy you to do it."

"Bet you fifty dollars I can. Now put up your money."

The officer had grown tired of being browbeaten and so coolly laid one hundred dollars on the table and asked the collector to cover it.

"Oh, you know I can't bet, but I know you have opium on board all the same," was the gruff answer.

At Sitka McCafferty assumed more authority than ever. He stated that he proposed to detain the ship until it should be his pleasure for it to sail. "I will detain it for a month if I want to," said he. When the boat was unloaded he ordered the captain and all officers ashore until he and his men had searched the ship.

"Search the ship all you like," spoke the captain, "but we will not go ashore." And he did not, neither did his crew.

The captain being again threatened with detention, he applied to the U. S. district judge for clearance papers, and was promised them provided the collector refused to issue them at the schedule time for sailing. McCafferty at last yielded, clearance papers were issued, and the Idaho steamed southward.

The officers of the Idaho are reticent and cautious about making any statements of this matter, fearing that their words may be misconstrued and reflect upon themselves being engaged in the opium trade. But when questioned as to the truthfulness of statements herein embodied, they replied that they could vouch for them as a whole, and that they were mildly drawn.

In this connection it may prove interesting to be posted the friends of Jasper W. Johnson, who made the trip from Washington city to Alaska to become a deputy collector under McCafferty, with his whereabouts and experiences. En route north he was detained somewhat, and when he reached Sitka he was unable to find means of transportation to Juneau, where he was expected to serve as deputy. The Idaho on her last trip was the first steamer that afforded this. He spoke to the officers about going. The purser politely asked if he was in possession of a ticket. Johnson stated he was not. Further conversation followed, when it was ascertained that he would be deputy had no money with which to pay his passage. The officer, being of a sympathetic nature, would fain have yielded to Johnson's pleadings for free transportation, but his instructions were imperative, not discretionary, and he could only reply, "Money alone secures transportation."

"But you and I will be friends, I know. We can get along nicely together," said Johnson.

"I have no doubt of that," was the reply.

"But Collector McCafferty told me revenue officers ride free."

"Collector McCafferty is mistaken in one sense at least. Besides I have received no word from him about your transportation."

Finally, after the boat had actually loosed from her moorings, Johnson borrowed $15 from a friend on the wharf and jumped aboard. And now at last he was near the goal of a deputy collectorship. Juneau was reached. Jasper W. asked the deputy collector there to surrender his papers. The latter declined. The former insisted; the latter refused and declared that McCafferty was not legally collector and therefore he would not surrender his office. He did not. Johnson is therefore still a waif sailing an unofficial sea.

Johnson, however, was not idle during his stay at Sitka. He resumed practice in his profession as attorney-at-law. It is not known here that he has been employed in more than one case, but this one case was important. He was employed to defend his friend McCafferty when arraigned before a bar of justice on a certain grave charge. It seems that some weeks ago, while the editor of the *Alaskan* was temporarily absent, a man named Chamberlain reigned in his stead. Chamberlain, after the manner of a certain Southern paper which he holds in high esteem, placed at the head of the *Alaskan* a notice that he would be personally responsible for statements made therein. In that issue or the following he made certain strictures on the official conduct of McCafferty, who upon reading the item repaired to the editor's office. Some words were passed and a hand-to-hand encounter followed. McCafferty succeeded in pushing his opponent upon a table, which gave way, and Chamberlain fell with McCafferty on top. Friends then separated them. McCafferty, not being satisfied with results, drew a pistol from his pocket and proposed to Chamberlain that he take a similar weapon, and that they settle the slight unpleasantness according to the French code of honor. At this time a justice is said to have appeared on the scene and placed the contestants under arrest. A preliminary examination was held, Johnson appearing for McCafferty, but the latter was bound over to await the action of a grand jury. The case now stands at this point.

CREAMERY TALK.

Oregon City Enterprise, March 31.

Wheeler Church, of East Portland, was in town Tuesday, accompanied by Mr. Pierce, who was investigating the fitness of this locality for a creamery. There is no question but that this is the place for a creamery, and the signs of the times point strongly to the early establishment of a creamery right here. The question has been agitated and investigated till (we feel that we are safe in saying it) enough men are ready to go into the undertaking to make it a paying success, $800 being ample to start a good creamery. Within a radius of five miles of this place over 600 cows can be secured. By using wagons and gathering the cream five miles in an easy distance to gather cream. Is it not time to take the initiative?

MANAGER HOWE INTERVIEWED.

HE TELLS A GOTHAMITE REPORTER ABOUT THEATRICALS HERE AND ELSEWHERE.

The New York *News-Letter*, the leading dramatic journal of the east, has the following in its issue of March 26, under the heading "Caught on the Fly:"

J. F. Howe, manager of the New Market theater, Portland, Oregon: "Yes, here I am all the way from Oregon, and my first visit to New York in eighteen years. Things have been very dull with us, but are now very much improved. Emma Abbott played three weeks on my circuit to $23,000, of which $13,000 was in Portland for ten nights. My circuit commences at Walla Walla on the Northern Pacific. The opera house there seats 800. The circuit includes all the towns from Walla Walla up to Victoria, B. C., on Puget sound, in all eighteen towns. Any good attraction does well with us, and we don't get cold combines, for they cannot last so long—and leave their bones on the prairies long before they reach us if they are not good. One dollar and a half and $2 can always be got for any good show, and I don't propose to lower the tariff in my houses. The completion in August of the railroad to San Francisco will make a great boom for our country, and theatrical people will avoid the unforeseen delays of the steamer trip between the two towns. As it is, there is only fifty miles now of staging to be done. The Northern Pacific is a good route for shows. At some of the towns they get as much as $2 50 a seat, and the passenger department is unusually liberal to managers. Portland is one of the best show towns in the country. It is very wealthy and the people always turn out. We have some very appreciative people, and I am surprised at the quality of our amateurs. A. D. Charlton, perhaps after Booth, is the ideal Hamlet, and J. J. Byrne as Sir Peter Teazle is certainly ent